

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NEW JERSEY

Baptist State Convention

AND

Education Society.

1873.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

PRESIDENT,	.	.	.	JAMES BUCHANAN,	.	.	Trenton.
VICE-PRESIDENTS,	.	.	.	{ G. S. WEBB,	.	.	New Brunswick.
				{ D. B. STOUT,	.	.	Middletown.
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W. H. PARMLY,	JOEL E. BRADLEY,	D. S. PARMELEE,
H. J. MULFORD,	J. C. BUCHANAN,	D. J. YERKES,
E. B. PALMER,	O. P. EACHES,	G. E. HERR,
	DAVID SILVER,	

THE PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENTS, SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Next Anniversary at Plainfield, Oct. 28th, 1874.

ANNUAL SERMON, - - - - - CHARLES KEYSER.

Report of the Joint Committee of the State Convention, Education Society, and Sunday School Union, appointed to make arrangements for the next meeting:

1. That the Boards of the State Convention and Education Society meet on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.
2. That the Education Society meet on Monday evening and Tuesday forenoon.
3. That the Sunday School Union occupy Tuesday afternoon and evening.
4. That the State Convention meet on Wednesday morning, and continue until its business is concluded.

FORTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

NEW JERSEY

Baptist State Convention,

AND

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

NEW JERSEY BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY,

HELD IN THE MEETING-HOUSE OF THE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BURLINGTON, N. J.,

October 28 and 29, 1873.

Correspondents of the *New Jersey Baptist State Convention*, will address H. F. SMITH,
New Brunswick, N. J.; of the *New Jersey Baptist Education Society*,
will address O. P. EACHES, Hightstown, N. J.

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OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION,

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Presidents:

*DANIEL DODGE, 1830 to 1839.
G. S. WEBB, 1839 to 1843
*C. W. MULFORD, 1843 to 1849.

*S. J. DRAKE, 1849 to 1853.
D. B. STOUT, 1853 to 1854
*C. E. WILSON, 1854 to 1855.

*D. M. WILSON, 1855 to 1873.
JAMES BUCHANAN, 1873 to —.

Vice-Presidents:

*JOSEPH MAYLIN, 1830 to 1834.
*HENRY SMALLEY, 1830 to 1834.
G. S. WEBB, 1834 to 1839, 1849 to —.
*J. M. CHALLISS, 1847 to 1848, 1849 to 1869.

*JOHN ROGERS, 1839 to 1848.
*J. C. HARRISON, 1839 to 1844.
J. E. WELCH, 1844 to 1847.
D. B. STOUT, 1868 to —.

Secretaries:

*M. J. RHEES, 1830 to 1840.
*C. W. MULFORD, 1840 to 1843.

*S. J. DRAKE, 1843 to 1848.
J. M. CARPENTER, 1848 to 1865.
H. F. SMITH, 1865 to —.

Treasurers:

*P. P. RUNYON, 1830 to 1871.
* Deceased.

S. VAN WICKLE, 1871 to —.

PREACHERS AT THE ANNUAL MEETINGS.

TIME.	NAMES.	TEXTS.	PLACES OF MEETING.
Nov. 2, 1830..	Daniel Dodge.....	Psalms 126 : 6.....	Trenton and Lambertton.
" 2, 1831..	Leonard Fletcher..	Mark 16 : 15	New Brunswick.
" 7, 1832..	Henry Smalley. .	Mark 24 : 4	Hightstown.
" 6, 1833..	G. S. Webb.....	Nehemiah 6 : 4	Pemberton.
" 5, 1834..	Nathaniel Colver...	Psalms 77 : 10.....	Trenton and Lambertton.
" 4, 1835..	J. C. Harrison	John 14 : 6.....	New Brunswick.
" 2, 1836..	Thomas Roberts ...	Isaiah 9 : 6	Plainfield.
" 1, 1837..	Zelotes Grenell.....	Matthew 6 : 10	Burlington.
" 7, 1838..	John Rogers.....	Malachi 3 : 10	Trenton and Lambertton.
" 6, 1839..	C. J. Hopkins.....	Luke 7 : 31.....	Newark.
" 11, 1840..	S. J. Drake	Ephesians 1 : 6.....	Hightstown.
" 3, 1841..	E. W. Dickenson ...	Psalms 2 : 8.....	New Brunswick.
" 9, 1842..	William Sym	Malachi 3 : 10	Trenton and Lambertton.
" 8, 1843..	C. W. Mulford.....	1 Corinthians 16 : 1-4	Haddonfield.
" 13, 1844..	D. B. Stout	Psalms 110 : 1-2	Mount Holly.
" 12, 1845..	John Teasdale	Psalms 67 : 1-2.....	Piscataway.
" 11, 1846..	G. S. Webb	Malachi 3 : 13-18	Middletown.
" 10, 1847..	A. Armstrong.....	1 Corinthians 6 : 20.....	Flemington.
" 1, 1848..	George Young	Acts 1 : 8.....	Salem.
Oct. 31, 1849..	T. R. Taylor	Ezekiel 47 : 9	Plainfield.
" 30, 1850..	H. V. Jones	Titus 2 : 14	Camden.
" 29, 1851..	W. H. Parnly.....	Matthew 16 : 3.....	Newark.
Nov. 15, 1852..	D. T. Hill.....	Philippians 1 : 18	Burlington.
Oct. 25, 1853..	Thomas Swaim, Jr..	1 Peter 2 : 21.....	New Brunswick.
" 31, 1854..	S. Sproul	John 1 : 35.....	Haddonfield.
" 30, 1855..	W. E. Cornwell....	Matthew 28 : 19, 20.....	Piscataway.
" 28, 1856..	Lewis Smith.....	1 Corinthians 15 : 25	Hightstown.
" 28, 1857..	J. L. Hodge.....	Jeremiah 14 : 8, 9	Bridgeton.
" 27, 1858..	A. Perkins.....	Matthew 24 : 14	Middletown.
Nov. 1, 1859..	R. T. Middleditch..	Romans 10 : 16.....	Lambertville.
Oct. 30, 1860..	H. C. Fish	Ephesians 4 : 5.....	Faterson.
" 29, 1861..	R. Babcock	Jude 20; Daniel 9 : 25....	Newark.
" 28, 1862..	M. S. Riddell	John 1 : 13	Trenton.
Nov. 10, 1863..	W. Rollinson	Exodus 15 : 3	Bordentown.
" 5, 1864..	E. M. Levy	Leviticus 25 : 9-10.....	Flemington.
Oct. 31, 1865..	T. S. Griffith.....	Exodus 14 : 15	Piscataway.
" 30, 1866..	D. J. Yerkes.....	Nehemiah 4 : 6	Salem.
" 29, 1867..	J. F. Brown.....	1 Thessalonians 1 : 3.....	Camden.
" 27, 1868..	W. D. Hires	Mark 16 : 15.....	Trenton, First.
" 26, 1869..	T. G. Wright.....	Acts 17 : 6.....	Hightstown.
" 25, 1870..	G. E. Horr	Galatians 6 : 14-16	Bridgeton, First.
" 31, 1871..	John Dowling.....	Psalms 96 : 8; Luke 2; 14	Middletown, First.
" 29, 1872..	H. G. Mason	Luke 19 : 20.....	Wantage, First.
" 29, 1873..	William Hague	John 4 : 23, 24.....	Burlington.

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TO INCORPORATE

The New Jersey Baptist State Convention.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this State,* That the Association now known as "The New Jersey Baptist State Convention for Missionary Purposes," shall be, and is hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name and title of "The New Jersey Baptist State Convention;" and, by that name and title, they and their successors shall be known in law, have power to sue and to be sued, to defend and be defended, in all courts; and shall be capable of acquiring and receiving, by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, and becoming possessed of and holding or conveying any real or personal estate, not exceeding the yearly value of five thousand dollars in the whole; and shall have perpetual succession, and also a common seal, with power to alter or renew the same at pleasure; and may ordain or make such regulations and by-laws as shall be necessary or convenient for the admission of members, the election of officers, the convening and government of the said corporation, and for conducting its affairs; provided that the said regulations and by-laws be not contrary to the constitution or laws of the United States, or this State, nor inconsistent therewith.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall annually elect, at such time as they shall by their regulations and by-laws ordain and establish, a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty-five Managers, who shall constitute the Executive Board to transact the business of the corporation, all of whom shall be residents in this State, and nine of whom shall be a quorum to do business; and Greenleaf S. Webb shall be President; John Rogers and John C. Harrison, Vice-Presidents; Clarence W. Mulford, Secretary; Peter P. Runyon, Treasurer; and James E. Welch, Charles Bartolette, David B. Stout, Samuel Aaron, Edward W. Dickinson, William D. Hires, Joseph K. Hillegas, James Vanderpool, Samuel Cornelius, John M. Carpenter, Charles J. Hopkins, John W. Wigg, Isaac Moore, Gershom Mott, David Brister, William Sym, James G. Collum, Samuel Smith, William Maul, Joseph M. Smith, Levi G. Beck, Simeon J. Drake, John Jones, Ezekiel Sexton, and Samuel Smith, managers of said Corporation, until others are elected.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall not use its funds for any other than missionary or educational purposes, and the support of the widows and children of deceased ministers.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the Legislature shall have the right to alter or repeal this act, at any time hereafter, when they shall think proper.

Passed February 3, 1841.

BY-LAWS.

REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NEW JERSEY BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be denominated "THE NEW JERSEY BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

ART. 2. It shall be the primary object of the Convention to spread the Gospel in New Jersey, and extend its operations as its funds may allow.

ART. 3. Any person, Society or Church contributing to the funds of this Convention shall have the privilege of one representative for every ten dollars annually paid; and every representative shall be a member of the Convention, provided he shall be a member of some particular Baptist Church in New Jersey.

ART. 4. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Convention held at such time and place as shall have been previously appointed, when the Officers of the Convention shall be chosen, who shall constitute the Executive Board, to transact business during the recess of the Convention—any nine of whom shall be a quorum.

ART. 5. All donations and subscriptions shall be appropriated for missionary purposes, unless otherwise designated by the contributors.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at the meetings of the Convention and of the Board; but, in case of his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents; and in case of their absence, a chairman for the time being shall be chosen.

ART. 7. The Secretary shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Convention and of the Board, and shall conduct the correspondence.

ART. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a faithful account of receipts and disbursements, and shall exhibit his accounts at every annual meeting, or whenever required by the Board. He shall give such security as the Board shall be satisfied with to the New Jersey Baptist State Convention, which security shall be deposited with the President, for the safe keeping of the funds in his hands; and shall pay out no money but upon an order of the Executive Board, signed by the President, or President *pro tem.*, and Secretary.

ART. 9. The Executive Board shall have the power to employ missionaries, and give directions as to the fields of their labor. They shall have power to fill their own vacancies, and shall report their proceedings to the Convention at each Annual Meeting.

ART. 10. Any alteration may be made in the Regulations and By-Laws at an Annual Meeting, by a majority of two-thirds of the members present.

APPLICATIONS FOR AID

from Churches are required to be made by an official act of the Church. The application must be forwarded to the Secretary, so as to reach him at least one week before the annual or quarterly meetings of the Board, and they will be presented to the Board in the order they are received.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

"I give and bequeath unto the New Jersey Baptist State Convention the sum of ——— dollars, for the purposes of said Convention."

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*—That the several Associations of the State be requested to appoint, annually, one of their number to present to the Convention, in writing, a report of the state of religion in the Association to which he belongs, embracing the present and comparative number of the churches and members, revivals that have occurred, and the general progress of the Redeemer's cause in that particular Association.

2. *Resolved*—That at the future sessions of this body, and in connection with the presenting of the reports above contemplated, two hours be devoted to a free conference upon the state of religion within the limits of this Convention.

3. *Resolved*—That the Convention recommend that great prudence be used in all measures connected with the organization of Churches, and particularly that missionaries connected with this Convention be instructed to use their influence in this direction.

4. *Resolved*—That in view of the limited time that can be given to the annual meetings of this body, and the magnitude of the interests under its charge, addresses and appeals from agents and societies having their centres of operations beyond our State limits, be hereafter dispensed with.

5. *Resolved*—That hereafter obituary reports spread upon our minutes be confined to ministers and those who have been members of the Board.

TO APPLICANTS FOR APPROPRIATIONS.

In applying for aid, address The Executive Board of the New Jersey Baptist State Convention, through the Secretary. State the facts upon the following points:—Pastor's Name; Name of Church; Amount asked for; No. of male members in the Church; No. of female members in the Church; Value of property held by members; Usual number of the Congregation; Number of inhabitants in the vicinity; Distance from any other Baptist Church; How many evangelical Churches in the place? Location, size and materials of the house of worship; How many will it seat? What is its value? Is there a debt on the property? If so, how much? Does the Pastor devote his whole time to the Church? Statistics of the Sabbath School; Is there a prospect that help now will soon enable you to sustain yourselves without aid from the Convention?

Applications are required to be made by *official act* of the Church, and to secure attention must be forwarded to the Secretary, so as to reach him at least one week before the annual or quarterly meetings of the Board. They will be presented to the Board in the order they are received.

Attention is called to the following

RESOLUTIONS ON APPROPRIATIONS,

Passed by the Executive Board, 1838.

1. *Resolved*—That for the future the Board will make no appropriation to aid a church in the support of the ministry, without receiving satisfactory evidence of the condition of the church; its need of assistance; and its willingness to contribute according to its ability to the support of its Pastor; nor without requiring from the minister receiving the benefit of the appropriation, as distinct reports of his labors and the results as is required from our Missionaries.

2. *Resolved*—That the Board will in no case, where an appropriation has been made, or missionary appointed, make any payment until a satisfactory report that the requirements of the Board have been complied with, has been rendered to the Board.

MINUTES.

BURLINGTON, October 28th, 1873.

1. THE NEW JERSEY BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION met in forty-fourth annual session with the Church at Burlington, commencing at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Vice-President, G. S. Webb occupied the chair, and called upon Bro. Howard Malcom, of Philadelphia, to lead in prayer.

2. *Voted*—to invite brethren present to a seat with us.

The invitation was accepted by Brethren Howard Malcom, Chas. M. Dietz, J. C. Hyde, T. Swaim, H. L. Wayland, W. B. Tolan, J. Perry, W. E. Watkinson, O. W. Spratt, from Pennsylvania; G. P. Nice, from Baltimore; W. F. Hundley, from Virginia; A. B. Clarke, New York.

3. The following was unanimously re-affirmed:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby re-asserts its firm adherence to the principle of total abstinence from the use of all intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, and earnestly recommends to all pastors to use the most persevering efforts to secure the united action of the churches in favor of said practice.

4. Also the resolution of last year concerning the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society:

Resolved, That we have observed with attention and sympathetic interest, the use and progress of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society; and that designed and adapted as it is to promote the conversion and Christian elevation of the women of the heathen world, we commend this new form of work to the prayer and coöperation of the members of our churches in New Jersey.

Adopted.

5. On motion, the Chair appointed the usual Committees:

Devotional Exercises—J. E. Wilson, F. A. Slater, K. Walling.

Enrolment—W. W. Hammond, B. S. Morse, J. H. Brittain, T. E. Vassar.

Obituaries—W. H. Parmly, O. P. Eaches, E. B. Palmer, S. Sproul.

Place of Next Meeting—A. J. Hires, T. A. K. Gessler, A. D. Willifer, D. S. Parmelee, G. E. Horr.

Auditing Committee—T. Burrows, James Stelle.

On Nominations—J. F. Brown, W. V. Wilson, E. M. Barker, T. S. Griffith, G. F. Love.

On Finance—Morgan L. Smith, E. Marsh, A. Suydam, H. G. Mason.

6. *Voted*—To proceed to the election of officers at 3 o'clock.

7. Bro. Foote proposed that the Nominating Committee be instructed to nominate not less than twelve members who are not ministers.

Laid on the table.

8. The Committee on Devotional Exercises recommended to adjourn at 12 and 5, hold a prayer meeting at 8.30 to-morrow morning, and meet for business at 9. Also that the annual report of the Board be read to-night, and be followed by short speeches from brethren whom the Secretary may designate.

Adopted.

9. The hour for the election of officers having come, Bro. D. B. Stout led in prayer for the Divine direction.

10. Brethren T. S. Griffith and A. J. Hires were appointed tellers, who, upon collecting and counting the ballots, announced that the Vice-Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer of last year were elected; but no one had a majority of votes for President.

11. Bro. James Buchanan having received a plurality of votes, but no one having a majority, it was voted that the Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for James Buchanan, which was done. The President took the chair with appropriate remarks.

12. After prayer by Bro. Vassar, Bro. William Hague preached the annual sermon from John iv: 23, 24. Subject: The new era inaugurated by the gospel of Christ.

13. The Committee of Arrangements further reported recommending that a woman's missionary meeting, to be addressed by Mrs. Butler, be held to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

14. Bro. W. H. Parmly offered the following:

WHEREAS, An "American Baptist Historical Society" has been organized and legally chartered, having for its objects:—

1. Whatever relates to the history and doctrines of Christians of all persuasions, and of every age; but especially whatever relates to Baptists, Mennonites, Free-will Baptists, Seventh-day Baptists, German Baptists, and our ancient brethren, the Novations, Donatists, Cathari, Paulicians, Henricans, Albigenses, and Waldenses.

2. Books, Pamphlets, and Manuscripts, by Baptist authors and translators, on every subject.

3. Books and Pamphlets written in defence of the peculiar views of other denominations.

4. Biographies, Likenesses, and Autographs of Baptist ministers and authors, living or dead, and views of Baptist Churches and Institutions.

5. Reports and Periodicals of all religious and benevolent societies; and Speeches or Sermons delivered before such bodies. Minutes and Reports of Baptist Conventions and Associations, in every part of the United States. Baptist Periodicals, extinct or continued.

AND WHEREAS, Said Society has already collected, by donation or purchase, over 6,000 volumes, 16,000 pamphlets, and a large number of manuscripts, all of which are free for the use of any person at the Library, and may be borrowed without charge, by those who have contributed \$10.

Resolved, That we regard this institution with great favor, and hope it will be liberally supplied with funds to carry out its noble purposes. Also, that we request all persons who have manuscripts or printed matter of this nature, which they are willing to donate, will forward the same to Rev. Howard Malcom, D.D., Pub. Rooms, Philadelphia.

Which, after remarks by Bro. Howard Malcom, were adopted.

15. Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Carpenter.

EVENING.

16. The Convention met at 7 o'clock, and prayer was offered by Bro. E. J. Foote.

17. The Committee on place of next meeting, recommended the First Church, Plainfield.

Agreed to.

18. The Committee appointed last year to petition the Legislature "to enact a law authorizing the incorporation of any Baptist Church within this State," reported the enactment of such a law, and presented a copy.

19. The report was adopted, and it was ordered that the act and accompanying forms be printed in the minutes.

20. The annual report of the Executive Board was read by the Secretary, and after short enthusiastic speeches by Brethren Parmly, Sandford, Johnson, Horr, H. Malcom, Vassar, Howlett, and Webb, was adopted and ordered to be printed.

21. Brethren Willmarth, Yerkes and W. L. Hope, were appointed to nominate the next preacher.

22. Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. D. B. Stout.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

23. At 8.30 a prayer meeting was held, in which a number of brethren participated.

24. At 9 o'clock the Convention opened. Prayer by Bro. Sproul.

25. Bro. H. G. Mason was added to the Finance Committee.

26. The reports of the Associations were read.

27. Bro. H. L. Wayland, Editor of the *National Baptist*, brought to our attention the opening at Atlantic City. The subject was referred to the Board.

28. On motion of Bro. H. J. Mulford—

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Convention, the best interests of our denomination in the State demand that hereafter its anniversary should precede that of the Education Society only on alternate years.

Adopted.

29. By Bro. Keyser—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to act in concert with a like Committee from the Education Society, and the Sunday School Union, with power to make arrangements as to time and order for the next anniversary.

Adopted, and the Chair named Brethren Griffith, Vassar and Elston Marsh, who were instructed to report to the Secretary.

30. The Committee on Nominations reported for Board of Managers:

J. M. CARPENTER,
T. S. GRIFFITH,
H. G. MASON,
T. A. K. GESSLER,
S. SPROUL,
W. H. PARMLY,
H. J. MULFORD,
E. B. PALMER,

R. F. YOUNG,
W. V. WILSON,
J. F. BROWN,
CHARLES KEYSER,
A. BROWN,
JOEL E. BRADLEY,
J. C. BUCHANAN,
O. P. EACHES,
DAVID SILVER.

J. T. CRAIG,
I. C. WYNN,
H. C. FISH,
A. D. WILLIFER,
A. SUYDAM,
D. S. PARMELEE,
D. J. YERKES,
G. E. HERR.

31. The report was adopted, and they with

President, JAMES BUCHANAN,
Vice-Presidents, G. S. WEBB and D. B. STOUT,
Secretary, H. F. SMITH, and
Treasurer, S. VAN WICKLE,

constitute the Executive Board for the year.

32. The Committee on Enrolment reported. See page 20.

33. Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Received from all sources.....	\$4,929 74
Paid out as per orders,*.....	4,626 37

Balance in Treasury, \$ 303 37

* \$125 was paid on two orders passed at the new Board, on reports for the last year, received too late for action by the old Board.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Having examined the Treasurer's account, we find the report correct.

THOMAS BURROWS, }
JAMES D. STELLE, } *Committee.*

34. Committee to nominate a preacher of the annual sermon reported the name of Charles Keyser.

Adopted.

35. By Bro. A. G. Thomas—

Resolved, That sums contributed by churches for city mission work be accredited to such churches by a foot-note appended to the table of contributions.

Adopted.

36. The Committee on Obituaries reported. See page 21.

37. A standing resolution was adopted—

“That hereafter obituary reports spread upon our minutes be confined to ministers, and those who have been members of our Board.

38. By Bro. Entekin—

WHEREAS, We believe some churches making application to this Convention for aid, fail to do what they can and should toward supporting their pastor; and

WHEREAS, Some churches fail to meet their obligations when made; therefore,

Resolved, That all churches receiving aid from this Convention shall hereafter report to our Board, not only the amount they propose to raise on the field, but also the list of individual subscriptions toward the salary.

This resolution to take effect February 1st, 1874.

Resolved, That hereafter all beneficiary churches shall meet their obligations to their pastor and the Convention before they receive further aid from the Board.

Voted to refer the preamble and resolutions to the Board.

39. The Committee on Finance reported:

WHEREAS, Undoubted evidence has been presented to your Committee, that the mission field in New Jersey has not had laborers in it commensurate with its importance; and

WHEREAS, During the past year with less than \$5,000, and the earnest labors of a few missionaries, God has blessed the work with more than 100 converts; and

WHEREAS, While it is the opinion of your Committee that \$10,000 should be raised;

In view of the present financial crisis we recommend raising \$7,000 for this work by an equitable adjustment in the five Associations, so that each church and every Baptist in the State may have the privilege of contributing to the spiritually starving at our doors.

MORGAN L. SMITH, }
A. SUYDAM, } *Committee.*
ELSTON MARSH, }
H. G. MASON. }

By Bro. Mason, added—

That the Associations apportion their apportionment among the churches.

The report was received and the recommendations were referred to the Executive Board.

40. Bro. L. Burrows introduced the following :

WHEREAS, The increasing laxity of public sentiment in regard to the sanctity of the Lord's Day is now manifesting itself in this State in a most demoralizing manner in the increased number of railway trains running on that day for pleasure and profit ; therefore,

Resolved, That in behalf of Christianity, public morality and good society we hereby record our earnest protest against the practice, except in case of absolute necessity or merey.

Resolved, That a committee of seven, including the President, be appointed to suitably memorialize the Legislature to repeal the law authorizing the running of railroad trains on Sunday, and to provide other means for the protection of Sabbath observance. •

Adopted, and the committee appointed—Brethren Buchanan, Burrows, Keyser, Elston Marsh, Fish, Colgate, J. F. Brown.

41. Bro. E. S. Norris, of the North New Jersey Association, in behalf of a committee appointed from that body, communicated the following, passed by them at their annual meeting :

Resolved, That this Association appoint a committee to confer with the State Convention on the advisability of forming a building fund ; and if not acted upon by the Convention, that this Association create such a fund.

42. Voted to receive the communication and refer the matter to the Executive Board.

43. On motion of Bro. Parmly, the thanks of the Convention were voted to the Pastor, church and congregation, and the other inhabitants of Burlington, whose hospitalities have been enjoyed by the delegates.

44. After prayer by Bro. W. H. Pease, and the benediction by Bro. Parmly, the Convention adjourned to meet at Plainfield.

HENRY F. SMITH, *Secretary*.

JAMES BUCHANAN, *President*.

ANNUAL REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN: Twenty-one years ago the Convention met in this place. The spirit of its proceedings and the design of its existence were well expressed in the text from which Daniel T. Hill then spoke: "Christ is preached, and I therein do rejoice, yea and will rejoice."

The changes that have swept over us could scarcely have been prophesied then. Our membership in the State then reported (13,362) has about doubled.

We have prospered in numbers, property, houses of worship, Sunday Schools and educational facilities for our children. A very respectable sum has been expended in the domestic missionary work, yet the pressing need for help in preaching Christ among the weak churches, and in the waste places, continues and increases.

The memories of these years suggest the names of many who have finished their work and have gone up with their sheaves to the Lord of the harvest.

Among those who then gathered here, were the devoted Drake, for years your Secretary, and then President; the venerable Challis, the amiable Roberts, the faithful Runyon, the genial Mulford, and others who were true yoke fellows in the work of faith and labor of love.

Another man, not in the Ministry, but then and for several years previously, a working member of the Executive Board, was present. We refer to Daniel M. Wilson, who for seventeen years past has presided over this body. A year ago we were saddened by his absence. We knew that he was seriously sick. He was spoken of very tenderly; prayers were offered for him, and the Secretary, at the request of the Board, sent a letter of sympathy to him and his family. He lingered until midnight of last January 17th, and then as the last of

the allotted three-score and ten years was dawning upon him he entered the portals of glory. In 1843, when in the prime of manhood, he was baptised and united with the first church in Newark.

His diligence in secular business suggested to him no excuse from whole-hearted work in Christ's cause. His hand and heart, so ready in every good cause, were FULLY WITH US.

As the committee to be appointed on obituaries will doubtless express the sense of the Convention, your Board having passed resolutions on the subject last February, would only here record our high appreciation of our brother's character and devotedness. While the wider interests of Zion will feel his departure, we, in all our State denominational institutions, are stricken by this Providence; yet we remember that "the Lord liveth," and we pray that other men among us, not in the ministry, may emulate our beloved departed President in his practical devotion to the interests of Christ's kingdom.

We have held regular quarterly meetings, at which the mission fields have received attention, and such help has been extended as the means in our hands would warrant; and such supervision and direction have been given as in our judgement our stewardship required. If, in some cases, we have not met the full expectation of applicants, the insufficiency of our resources to supply the need of the weak will furnish a ready reason.

Our missionaries have labored at Belvidere, Beverly, Blackwoodtown, Hopewell, Eatontown, George's Road, Gloucester, Manahawken, Matawan, Washington, Marlboro', Somer's Point, Toms River, Vineland, Roselle, Clinton, Stockton, West Hoboken (German), Pedricktown (German), Trenton City Mission, Germanfield, New Brunswick, Squan, Port Morris.

In some of the places named, appropriations have been made for only a portion of the year.

For full statistics we refer to the missionary table on page 17, and give here the summary. Number of missionaries employed, 25 on 23 fields. They have rendered 717 weeks of service, occupied 32 stations, delivered 2137 sermons and addresses, attended 1321 prayer meetings, made 4248 pastoral visits, given away 18,999 pages of tracts, and baptised 87.

There are 20 Sunday Schools, 203 teachers, 1688 scholars, and 5716 volumes in Sunday School libraries.

The Education Society, a year ago, passed the following :

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Society, the best interests of our denomination in the State demand that hereafter its anniversary should precede that of the Convention on alternate years.

Resolved, That our Secretary be instructed to confer with the Board of the Convention in reference to procuring its consent to, and co-operation in, securing such an arrangement.

At our last quarterly meeting we received a note as follows :

To the Board of the New Jersey Baptist State Convention :

Will the Board of the Convention please take action in respect to a resolution in item 16, on minutes of the Education Society, for 1872.

H. C. FISH, *Sec. of Ed. Soc.*

It was voted—

That inasmuch as the said item was the action of our sister Society, the Education Society, we refer the matter to the action of the Convention at its next meeting.

We therefore refer it to you for consideration and disposition.

The joint Committee of the Convention and Education Society to consider the propriety of employing a financial agent, after deliberation gave their opinion that it was inexpedient to employ such agent. The Board concurred and the subject was dismissed.

TREASURY.

There has been received from all sources, \$4,929.74, and paid out, \$4,626.37.

The churches have paid and received as follows :

West New Jersey paid in \$1,265.28; received \$1,237.50.

East “ “ 817.78; “ 458.34.

Central “ “ 1,065.19; “ 739.43.

Trenton “ “ 1,151.88; “ 1,555.00.

North “ “ 558.69; “ 300.00.

In surrendering our trust to the Board that shall succeed us, we should be glad to report that the resolution passed so enthusiastically at our last meeting, “That we endeavor to raise for the coming year, \$10,000,” had been successful. It could all be profitably appropriated. But present indications scarcely warrant us to hope that our receipts will reach the amount of the last year. We already

have applications filed whose aggregate is greatly in excess of last year.

We fear that your new Board will be obliged to decline some of the applications, and lessen the sum appropriated to others.

New opportunities have opened during the year, where an outlay for a little while would bring back to us all that we gave, and make the cause strong in the vicinity. Cannot the Pastors, and men of public spirit and influence in our churches, so present this subject from an intense consciousness of its importance, that we shall do much more for our domestic missionary interests, and rise to the accomplishment of results which our *need*, our *privileges* and our *principles* demand?

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. SMITH, *Secretary*.

October 28, 1873.

MISSIONARY TABLE.

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CHURCHES AND MISSIONARY FIELDS.	MISSIONARIES.	DATE OF COMMISSION.	Amt. of Appropriation.	Amount paid back to the Treasury.	Weeks of Labor.	Stations.	No. of Sermons and Addresses.	Baptisms.	Prayer Meetings.	Pastoral Visits.	Tracts Distributed.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Belvidere	J. G. Entreklin.....	Nov. 1, 1872	\$300 00	\$25 00	52	1	75	63	117	1128	8	8	70	148	
Beverly	K. Walling.....	" "	200 00	30 00	52	1	150	98	170	.....	1	8	45	300	
Blackwoodtown.....	John Flausburg.....	" "	100 00	.....	23	1	50	26	117	.....	1	8	45	375	
Calvary, Hopewell.....	E. C. Romine.....	Nov. 1, 1872.....	126 93	6 10	22	3	84	1	26	37	300	1	6	40	120
Clinton.....	H. Westcott & W. H. Shermer	" " & Aug. 1, '73	100 00	10 00	23	1	64	18	38	.....	1	5	50	180	
Eatontown.....	S. V. Marsh	" 1872.....	340 00	16 00	52	2	122	91	185	1192	1	5	60	.....	
George's Road.....	L. Selleek	" "	100 00	10 00	52	1	156	65	290	1000	1	7	80	150	
Gloucester	Wm. P. Maul.....	" "	250 00	10 00	52	1	162	68	297	2386	1	14	70	375	
Germanfield, N. Bruns'k.	J. M. Hoeftlin.....	" "	112 50	.....	37	1	100	78	88	935	1	6	30	.....	
Manahawkin.....	E. S. Browe.....	" "	150 00	32 00	52	1	97	56	335	1600	1	9	65	350	
Marlboro'.....	S. L. Cox.....	" "	200 00	50 00	34	4	149	3	75	188	500	10	86	300	
Matawan.....	F. A. Slater.....	" "	300 00	85 00	52	1	138	111	231	.....	1	11	85	350	
Port Norris.....	Ellis L. Stager.....	" "	100 00	.....	10	1	10	4	12	210	1	11	60	100	
Roselle.....	J. V. Stratton.....	" "	333 34	20 12	43	1	83	41	47	.....	1	7	47	250	
Somer's Point.....	Supplies.....	" "	12 50	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Squan.....	T. S. Snow	Aug. 1, 1873	50 00	.....	13	1	45	11	65	1466	1	10	69	210	
Stoekton.....	Alfred Caldwell.....	" "	100 00	25 00	24	2	68	1	49	270	500	1	15	110	420
Toms River.....	J. A. Mets and A. J. Wilcox	" "	365 00	.....	46	3	111	44	58	456	1	7	53	70	
Trenton City Mission.....	James Thorn.....	Nov. 1, 1872.....	300 00	.....	2	128	2	94	349	.....	2	22	200	900	
Vineland Central.....	N. B. Randall.....	" "	400 00	86 00	52	2	121	170	538	5000	1	20	300	360	
Washington, Tabernaale.	M. Johnston.....	" "	200 00	18 65	52	2	134	16	96	306	1500	10	55	420	
West Hoboken, German.	Geo. Knobloek.....	" "	125 00	.....	26	1	90	1	39	553	376	1	14	68	138
Pedrickton field.....	C. Sehlog.....	" "	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
			\$4290 27	\$426 87	717 92	2137 87	1321 4248	18,399 27	213	1638	5716				

S. VAN WICKLE, Treasurer, in account with the New Jersey Baptist State Convention.

1872 Nov. 1	Dr.	1873 Nov. 1	By Cash paid	Rev. Ellis Stager	Cr.
To balance on hand from last year	\$200 44			Trenton City Mission	100 00
To cash from Belvidere Church	25 00			Rev Wm. P. Maul	57 70
" " Bloomfield	71 00			" " J. M. Hoeflin	25 00
" " Sunday School	75 00	Feb. 4		" " K. Walling	37 50
" " Bordentown Church	40 45			" " L. Selleck	50 00
" " Bridgeton First Church	94 00			" " S. L. Cox	25 00
" " Bridgeton Pearl Street Church	72 60			" " W. D. Siegfried	75 00
" " Beverly Church	83 17			" " F. A. Slater	75 00
" " Bergen	80 40			" " Wm. P. Maul	50 00
" " Camden Fourth Street Church	100 00			" " H. F. Smith, traveling expenses	62 50
" " Camden Second Church	32 50			" " E. S. Browne	16 84
" " Canton Church	33 00			" " M. Johnson	37 50
" " Cape May First Church	5 00 {			" " J. V. Stratton	50 00
" " " S. School	35 00 }			" " E. C. Romine	66 67
" " Cape May Second Church	8 50			" " J. A. Mets	75 00
" " Cape May City Church	5 00			" " G. Knoblock	100 00
" " Cedarville Church	20 00			" " J. Thorn	62 50
" " Cherryville	25 00			" " C. Schlog	75 00
" " Cohansey	21 00			" " H. Westcott	12 50
" " Female Mite Society	19 00			" " N. B. Randall	50 00
" " Camden Third Church	11 00			" " Dr. Somers	100 00
" " Trinity	17 15			" " Terhune & Van Anglen, (printing)	12 50
" " Calvary, Cape May Church	7 00			" " Jennings & Hardham (printers)	5 85
" " Caldwell Church	10 00			" " Trenton City Mission	179 10
" " Elizabeth First Church	17 00			" " Rev. J. G. Entekin	77 30
" " Flemington	148 00	May 6		" " J. M. Hoeflin	100 00
" " Freehold	65 25			" " C. Schlog	37 50
" " Greenwich	28 46			" " L. Selleck	12 50
" " Glenn Wood	7 00			" " E. C. Romine	25 00
" " George's Road	4 50			" " W. P. Maul	51 93
" " Gloucester	11 35			" " Wm. L. Hope	62 50
" " Haddonfield	117 77			" " F. A. Slater	65 00
" " Lecture Room S. School	35 00			" " J. V. Stratton	50 00
" " Hamilton Square Church	44 00			" " M. Johnson	66 67
" " Deacon W. J. Robbins	39 00 {			" " Geo. Knoblock	50 00
" " Hightstown Church	5 00 }			" " E. S. Browne	62 50
" " Howell	100 00			" " S. L. Cox	37 50
" " Hammon	12 00			" " N. B. Randall	75 00
" " Hammon	15 00			" " K. Walling	100 00
" " Hammon	13 05			" " J. G. Entekin	50 09
" " Jacobstown	96 93			" " S. V. Marsh	100 00
" " Jersey City First Church	101 00	Aug. 5		" " F. A. Slater	100 00
" " Keyport Church	80 00			" " H. F. Smith, (for incidentals)	11 06
" " Kingwood Church	32 00			" " A. J. Wilcox	150 00
" " Lambertville Church	40 72			" " W. P. Maul	62 50
" " Manasquan	16 25			" " K. Walling	50 00
" " Marlton	28 79			" " A. Caldwell	50 00
" " Matawan Church	80 00			" " M. Johnson	50 00
" " Sabbath School	70 00 {			" " J. D. Flansburg	50 00
" " Melroe, L. H. & Co., for advertising	10 00 }				50 00

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

ON DELEGATES.

ALLOWAYSTOWN—J. E. Bradley.
AMBOY, SOUTH—T. T. Baker.

BELVIDERE—S. L. Weidman, J. G.
Entrekin.

BEVERLY—K. Walling, J. Hughes.
BLACKWOODTOWN—Charles R. Bee.
BLOOMFIELD—T. T. Cadmus, T. Davis.
BLOOMINGDALE—J. M. Carpenter.

BORDENTOWN—Lansing Burrows, J.
Belden, W. Steele, U. Bennett.

BRICKSBURG—A. Elliott.

BRIDGETON, First—E. B. Palmer, H.
J. Mulford.

Pearl Street—B. S. Morse, J. S.
McGear.

BURLINGTON—J. E. Wilson, H. Grant.

CAMDEN, 2d Church—W. W. Dalbey.

3d Church—E. V. Glover.

Fourth Street—I. C. Wynn.

Trinity—A. H. Luag, C. Sexton.

North—R. G. Moses, J. E. Cham-
bliss, J. S. Nash.

CANTON—E. M. Barker.

CAPE MAY, 1st Church—A. J. Hires,
J. F. Craig.

2d Church—R. G. Lamb.

Cape Island—S. Hughes.

Calvary—M. M. Finch.

EATONTOWN—S. V. Marsh, W. L.
Hope.

ELIZABETH, 1st Church—T. A. K.
Gessler.

ENGLEWOOD—J. H. Andrews, C. S.
Coxhead.

FLEMINGTON—T. E. Vassar, A. Suy-
dam.

FREEHOLD—D. S. Parmelee.

Upper Freehold—W. D. Hires, J.
Goldy, J. Polhemus.

FRENCHTOWN—W. H. Pease.

GEORGE'S ROAD—L. Selleek.

GLOUCESTER CITY—W. P. Maul.

HAMILTON SQUARE—W. W. Case.

HIGHTSTOWN—O. P. Eaches, H. A.
Pratt, C. E. Cole.

HOBOKEN, 1st Church—W. R. Maul.

“ WEST—J. M. Hoefflin.

HOLMDEL—T. S. Griffith, J. N. Grif-
fith.

HOPEWELL—A. V. Dimock.

HOWELL—C. G. Gurr, C. Butcher.

JACOBSTOWN—A. G. Thomas, A.
Rogers.

JERSEY CITY, 1st Church—W. H.
Parmly, E. H. Bronson, P. D.

Mowell, A. C. Hale, E. S. Norris.

Hudson City—W. B. Harris.

Bergen—W. W. Hammond.

North—H. A. Cordo.

KEYPORT—J. K. Manning, T. Bur-
rows, K. Walling, P. T. Corson.

KINGWOOD—S. Sproul.

LAMBERTVILLE—A. D. Willifer.

LYONS FARMS—S. L. Cox.

MANNAHAWKIN—E. S. Browe.

MANASQUAN—M. Brown, T. S. Snow.

MARLBORO'—J. Thorn, G. Johnson,
H. Conover.

MARLTON—T. L. Bailey.

MATAWAN—F. A. Slater, G. T. Lain,
T. W. Thorn.

MEDFORD—J. M. Craner.

MIDDLETOWN, First—D. B. Stout, A.
Brown.

Second—J. J. Baker, R. A. Leon-
ard.

MOORESTOWN—J. H. Brittain, E.
Kain, E. D. Fendall.

MOUNT HOLLY—J. B. Stiles, J. W.
Emly.

MULICA HILL—C. Kain, T. P. Dar-
lington.

NEWARK, First—H. C. Fish, M. L. Smith.	RED BANK—E. J. Foote, T. Ingling, J. Bray.
South—G. A. Peltz.	ROSELLE—J. V. Stratton.
Roseville—G. E. Horr.	SALEM, First—M. Sandford.
NEW BRUNSWICK, First—H. F. Smith,	Memorial—H. G. Mason, T. S. Walker, E. J. Lloyd.
G. S. Webb, S. Van Wickle, R. Runyon, H. V. Jones.	SANDY RIDGE—B. R. Black.
Remsen Avenue—J. Servis, E. H. Wade, C. B. Stout.	SCOTCH PLAINS—J. C. Buchanan.
NEW MARKET—E. E. Jones.	SOMERVILLE—G. W. Clark.
	STOCKTON—A. Cauldwell.
ORANGE, North—W. Hague, S. Colgate, W. A. Gellatly.	TRENTON, First—D. B. Colman.
PEMBERTON—J. W. Willmarth, J. M. Willmarth, J. Logan.	Central—C. Keyser, J. Buchanan, C. H. Wardell, L. H. McKee.
PITTSBURGH—C. A. Mott.	Clinton Avenue—C. B. Perkins.
PISCATAWAY—J. F. Brown, H. Smalley, J. D. Stelle, F. Dayton.	VINELAND—N. B. Randall.
PLAINFIELD, First—D. J. Yerkes, W. N. McCutcheon, E. Marsh.	WANTAGE—G. F. Love.
Second—T. R. Howlett.	WASHINGTON, S. RIVER—M. Johnson.
PORT MONMOUTH—W. V. Wilson.	WOODBURY—S. Dyer.
	WOODSTOWN—F. B. Greul.

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE.

It is a singular fact, and one that calls for devout gratitude, that so far as your committee are informed, not one death has occurred during the past year among the nearly 200 ministers of our State. Death has, indeed, been on the wing and taken many a useful and active member from our churches. Both the old and the young have fallen beneath his unerring aim. They have been summoned to come up higher, but their influence still remains among us.

Prominent among those who have put off their armor, your committee would specially notice—

DANIEL M. WILSON, of the North Church, Newark. The extended and appropriate notice of him in our annual report, renders further comment by us unnecessary. Endowed with superior executive and financial ability, of singular largeness of heart, and identified with all the denominational interests of the State, whether missionary or educational, his death has produced a wide chasm in our ranks. As a *man*, a Christian, a brother beloved in the Lord, and for seventeen years the efficient President of this Convention, we shall not soon look upon his like again.

DEACON HENRY D. ELY, of Holmdel church; a brother of great excellence of character, both in private and public. His hand, his heart, and his purse were alike open to the claims of his Redeemer. In the meridian of life he has fallen on sleep, while his brethren, who remain, mourn that a good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, is removed from them.

WILLIAM LEONARD, the oldest male member of the First Church in Middletown. Baptised in 1825, he had led a consistent Christian life, and attained to nearly eighty-six years of age. His death leaves but one male member (Deacon Frost,) of that venerable church, who was connected with it when their present pastor assumed the charge of that body.

Your committee would also name—

MISS CHARITY LOGAN, of Pemberton church, who died last August, in Mount Holly. For many years she had suffered from infirm health, yet she was spared to attain the ripe age of seventy-six years; more than fifty of which she had walked in close communion with her blessed Redeemer, and with His people. The Lord having blessed her with this world's goods, she was careful to remember *His* cause when her end approached, for she bequeathed by will about six thousand dollars to benevolent objects, chiefly within the State of New Jersey. Thus "being dead, she yet speaketh."

Of many others who have passed on before us, your committee would be pleased to speak, but time will not permit. Their record is on high, and

"Though dead, they speak in reason's ear,
And in example live;
Their faith, and hope, and mighty deeds,
Still fresh instruction give."

Brethren, may we be enabled to follow them so far as they followed Christ, that at last with them we may enter into that rest which remaineth for the people of God.

Respectfully submitted,

WHELOCK H. PARMLY,
SAMUEL SPROUL,
O. P. EACHES,
E. B. PALMER.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORTS.

WEST NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION.

The West New Jersey Association held its sixty-second Anniversary with the church at Dividing Creek. A well-filled house during all the sessions, bore witness to the fidelity of delegates, and the interest of visitors and citizens. The two Colored Churches of Camden have been united, and have assumed the title of the Seventh Baptist Church of Camden. The property formerly held by the Zion Church has been secured, and is now held in trust by the officers of the Association. The Church at Newfield was welcomed to the fellowship of the body.

Present number of churches 48; 40 of which report pastors, and one a permanent supply.

Baptised during year, ...	595
Deaths, ...	114
Net Increase, ...	254
Present Membership, ...	8,480
Total Contributions, ...	\$95,666 40

The mission work of the Association has been encouragingly successful. The small but persevering band at Somer's Point have completed and dedicated a neat Chapel. At Rio Grand we have a beautiful Chapel, completely furnished, and its cost wholly provided for. Brethren A. J. Hires and Samuel Hughes each preach there once a month. We need a Missionary, whose time and labor shall be devoted wholly to the more destitute portions of our Associational territory.

The appointment of a Missionary has been repeatedly urged by the Committee on Mission Work, and we have reason to hope that the recommendation will soon become a beneficent reality.

I. C. WYNN, *Associate Clerk.*

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION.

The Central New Jersey Baptist Association held its forty-fifth Anniversary with the First Baptist Church, Lambertville, October 14th and 15th. The attendance was unusually large; the utmost harmony prevailed, and all felt it was good to be there.

Two Churches—Broad Street, Elizabeth, and Hackensack—withdrew, to unite, the former with the East New Jersey Association, the latter with the North New Jersey Association.

The general tone of the letters from the Churches indicated a fair degree of prosperity, although no general revival has been experienced.

Three Churches—Iring Street, Rahway; Somerville, and Tabernacle, South River, reported an aggregate of 74 baptisms, while the total number reported is 103.

The present number of Churches in the Association is 22, three of which are without pastors. The total membership is 2,826, a decrease of 246 from last year; 239 of this number is occasioned by the withdrawal of the Churches above named.

A re-adjustment of our geographical lines, similar to the plan recommended by a Committee of the State Convention some six years ago, would tend to equalize more fairly the strength of the several Associations, and render our work more effective.

The material prosperity indicated by some of the Churches was exceedingly gratifying. Flemington Church has paid off a debt of some \$14,000 during the year. Remsen Avenue Church, New Brunswick, have completed their house of worship, and expended nearly \$12,000; while the First Church of the same place have repaired and beautified their church edifice, at an expense of several thousand dollars. The Irving Street Church, Rahway, have liquidated their entire indebtedness. The new meeting-house of the Somerville Church is nearly ready for occupancy. The Hopewell Church building is completed and paid for.

The contributions to the various benevolent objects of the denomination are fully equal to those of last year. Resolutions were adopted, looking to the raising of a Centennial Fund, to be expended upon the academies of our State.

The Missionary Committee reported the result of their labors, showing that considerable work had been done in the direction of assisting feeble and destitute churches, and looking to the cultivation of the various waste

places within our bounds. A conference, following the reading of the reports, indicated that more than ordinary interest was felt by the Association in this important matter of missionary work.

The general impression seemed to be, that the time has come for binding on new burdens; and prosecuting the work more zealously than ever; looking to Him who has said, "Lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

May the present year be one of the "right hand of the Most High" among all the churches of this Association.

A. D. WILLIFER, *Clerk*.

EAST NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION.

The East New Jersey Association held its thirty-second anniversary with the Bergen Church, Jersey City, June 3d and 4th. Bro. William Rollinson, of Newark, was chosen moderator. The opening sermon was delivered by Bro. T. A. K. Gessler, of Elizabeth. Sermons were preached during the session also by Brethren D. J. Yerkes, of Plainfield, and H. M. Gallaher, of Elizabeth.

Three churches were admitted to the body, viz: the Broad street, Elizabeth, from the Central Association; the North, Jersey City, from the North Association; and the church at Roselle, organized within the year. One church, that at Livingston, withdrew to join the North Association.

The letters from the churches indicated a very encouraging condition of spiritual life. All but seven had been cheered by considerable accessions by baptism. First Plainfield reported 147; First Newark, 61; Elizabeth Memorial, 35; Second Plainfield 33; German, Newark, 31. Whole number of baptisms during the year, 503. The number of churches is now 30, every one of which (and we note it as a remarkable fact,) has now a settled pastor. The membership of the Association numbers 6,003.

The new church at Roselle is the only interest in the Association receiving aid from the State Convention. Earnest efforts are being made by the brethren there to sustain the cause in that growing community. Lots, among the finest in the village and now worth at least \$2,000, have been purchased and paid for; and the Association has undertaken to raise \$4,000 to aid the church in building a house of worship suited to the wants of the place.

The material interests of the Association are in general in a very prosperous condition. About half the churches are worshipping in houses either new or recently renovated. The benevolent contributions and home expenses, with several of the larger churches failing to report, foot up an aggregate of nearly \$100,000.

The sessions of the body were well attended, interesting and profitable throughout. Stirring resolutions were adopted in favor of temperance and education, and especially endorsing the centennial fund movement, presented by the educational commission, for the raising of \$5,000,000 in the behalf of institutions of learning in the United States.

J. C. BUCHANAN, *Clerk*.

TRENTON ASSOCIATION.

The ninth annual session of this body was held with the Holmdel Baptist church, June 4th and 5th, last.

One church, formed during the year—Clinton Avenue, of Trenton—was admitted to membership. This is the sixth church organized within the bounds of the Association, since its organization, nine years since.

The body now numbers 26 churches, with a membership of 4,810. The number of baptisms reported was 151. Hamilton Square, Keyport and Middletown Second, each reported a precious work of grace. Seven churches were without pastors; two of these vacancies have been since supplied.

The Missionary Committee reported the raising of the sum of \$440 toward the purchase of a lot on which to erect a chapel at Long Branch. Measures were also taken to raise the sum of \$1,000 to aid the South Amboy church in the erection of a house of worship.

A plan for a Church Edifice Fund was adopted, and contributions received for that purpose.

Resolutions upon the subject of Sunday Schools, Temperance, in favor of the Centennial Educational Fund, and deprecating the running of railway trains on the Sabbath, were adopted.

The churches, generally, reported a good degree of temporal prosperity, and enlarged contributions for benevolent purposes, while expending more than a usual amount in reducing church debts, and in making additions and repairs to houses of worship.

The comparatively small number of baptisms reported from the greater number of the churches was the occasion of anxious thought, and earnest prayer to the Great Head of the church that His spirit might be poured out upon the churches the coming year, and many souls be brought to Christ.

JAMES BUCHANAN, *Clerk.*

NORTH NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION.

Our Association held its fortieth Anniversary with the Morristown Baptist Church, Wednesday and Thursday, June 11th and 12th.

The attendance was large, and the meetings delightful throughout.

Our Association now numbers thirty-five churches; five were received at the meeting, viz: Livingston, from East New Jersey Association; Hackensack, from the Central New Jersey Association; and Hamilton Park, Jersey City; Englewood; and North Orange Second, recently organized. One Church, Jersey City North, returned to the East New Jersey Association.

Thirty-two (32) churches reported pastors; and thirty-three churches reported by letters, and speak of general peace and prosperity, with here and there an exception.

Expenses, Benevolence, Home.—Thirty-one churches report contributions for home expenses and benevolence, in part, \$96,449 60.

Sunday Schools.—Thirty-six Sunday Schools reported 523 teachers, 5,323 pupils, 122 baptisms, 11,511 volumes in library, and \$7,170 11 contributions.

North Orange Church is erecting a house of worship.

Mount Salem Church has repaired her meeting-house, and proposes to build a chapel at Coleville.

Lafayette Church proposes to erect a new meeting-house.

Increase.—Twenty (20) churches reported 352 baptisms. Twenty-one (21) churches reported 291 additions by letter. Five (5) churches reported 12 additions on experience. Three (3) churches reported 4 by restoration.

Decrease.—Twenty-six (26) churches reported 189 by dismissal. Twenty-two (22) reported 57 deaths. Six (6) churches report 15 erasures, and eight (8) churches report 21 exclusions.

Total membership, 4,426; increase 182.

Hoboken and First Paterson Churches have employed each a City Missionary, and in the latter case, as a result, a third church has been organized.

Paterson, Willis Street Church, report \$21,000 paid on church property. There are numerous fields within our borders that need earnest, devoted laborers; and above all, the grace and power of the Holy Spirit "to make these deserts rejoice, and blossom as the rose."

G. F. LOVE, *Clerk.*

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TREASURY FOR 1873-4.

[NOTE.—The statement of contributions to various objects is omitted, for the following reasons :

1st.—Although attention has been frequently called to it, not more than a dozen churches have furnished financial statistics for the conventional year.

2d.—In the tedious work of exploring and transcribing from the tables in Association Minutes, (the columns of which are not uniform), it was found, for instance, that in Home Expenses some little churches would have an item covering thousands of dollars, while the total amount for all purposes of much larger churches would be put down at a very small sum.

After laboring several days, in attempting to collate from all available sources, the Secretary concluded it would be needless trouble and expense to print a table so full of comparative inaccuracies.

Let each church refer to the table in its Association Minutes for details.]

Allowaystown.....	\$19 00	Kingwood	18 00
Belvidere	25 00	Lambertville	35 00
Berean, Stockton.....	20 00	Manasquan.....	11 50
“ “ S. S.....	5 00	“ Sunday School..	12 00
Beverly	30 00	Marlborough.....	40 00
Bloomington.....	20 00	“ Sunday School..	8 24
Bordentown	43 78	“ Infant Class....	1 76
Bridgeton, First.....	122 00	Marlton	17 38
Burlington, First.....	21 25	Matawan	85 00
Camden, Fourth Street...	100 00	Middletown, First.....	102 37
“ Second	32 50	“ Second	30 00
Canton	10 00	Millington.....	30 00
Cape May, First.....	27 00	Moorestown.....	42 30
“ “ S. S.....	8 00	Mount Holly.....	20 00
Cape May, Second.....	10 00	Mullica Hill.....	38 90
Cape Island.....	10 00	New Brunswick First....	281 21
Cherryville	30 00	Cent-a-Week Society..	53 00
“ Rev. C. E. Young	5 00	Sunday School.....	98 33
Clinton.....	10 00	Infant Class.....	20 38
Eatontown.....	16 00	P. P. Runyon, Legacy	100 00
Englewood	5 00	New Brunswick, Remsen	
Elizabeth, First	17 00	Ave. Sunday School....	50 00
“ Broad Street...	50 00	New Market....	15 00
Flemington	128 10	Newton	9 76
Freehold.....	74 50	Orange, North.....	112 70
Frenchtown	15 00	Pemberton.....	43 15
George's Road	10 00	Piscataway	113 00
From a Friend	1 00	Pittsgrove	10 00
Gloucester.....	10 00	Plainfield, First.....	188 91
Greenwich	16 00	Port Monmouth.....	10 00
“ Fem. Mite Soc'y	13 00	Red Bank	40 60
Hamilton Park	16 25	Salem, First	100 00
“ “ S. S.....	2 10	“ Memorial.....	25 00
“ “ Dea. Robbins	5 00	Sandy Ridge.....	11 00
Hightstown.....	53 92	Schooley's Mountain....	10 00
Hoboken, First.....	20 00	Scotch Plains	22 25
Holmdel.....	106 62	Somerville	24 76
Hopewell, Calvary.....	6 10	South Amboy.....	5 00
Howell	10 00	Trenton, Clinton Avenue..	10 00
Jacobstown.....	75 00	Upper Freehold.....	25 00
Jersey City, First.....	58 63	Vineland, Central.....	86 00
“ “ “ S. S.....	25 00	Washington, Tabernacle..	18 65
“ “ North.....	23 10	Woodstown.....	14 90
Keyport	121 75		

TABULAR STATEMENT OF CHURCHES.

WEST NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION. Organized 1811. E. D. FENDALL, *Clerk*,
530 Arch Street, Philadelphia. Meets at Vineland, Sept. 22, 1874.

CHURCHES.	When Constituted.	PASTORS AND PREACHERS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	Baptisms.	Total.
1st Cohansey.....	1690	THOS. O. LINCOLN, <i>D. W. Sheppard.</i>	Bridgeton.....	....	200
1st Cape May.....	1712	ALLEN J. HIRES.....	Cape May C. H.....	7	304
1st Salem.....	1755	MILES SANDFORD, <i>B. McMackin.</i>	Salem.....	27	479
Dividing Creek.....	1761	A. B. STILL.....	Dividing Creek.....	....	235
Pemberton.....	1764	JAS. W. WILLMARTH, <i>J. M. Willmarth</i>	Pemberton.....	27	188
Mannahawkin.....	1770	E. S. BROWE.....	Mannahawken.....	....	58
Pittsgrove.....	1771	CHAS. A. MOTT, <i>Chas. P. P. Fox.</i>	Daretown.....	....	224
Jacobstown.....	1785	ARTHUR G. THOMAS.....	Jacobstown.....	32	231
Burlington.....	1801	JAMES E. WILSON.....	Burlington.....	....	255
Mount Holly.....	1801	—.....	—.....	39	424
Marlton.....	1805	Thomas L. Bailey.....	Marlton.....	7	269
Haddonfield.....	1818	R. F. YOUNG, Charles Griffin, <i>B. B. Willis.</i>	Haddonfield.....	8	350
Fourth St., Camden...	1818	I. C. WYNN.....	Camden.....	17	368
Canton.....	1818	E. M. BARKER, <i>E. Turner, Wm. H. Paulin.</i>	Canton.....	1	324
Woodstown.....	1822	F. B. GREUL.....	Woodstown.....	3	147
1st Bridgeton.....	1828	E. B. PALMER.....	Bridgeton.....	96	373
Allowaystown.....	1830	JOEL E. BRADLEY.....	Allowaystown.....	....	148
2nd Cape May.....	1834	R. G. LAMB.....	Palermo.....	2	186
Vincentown.....	1834	—, <i>J. Lippincott.</i>	—.....	1	129
Cedarville.....	1836	WM. A. DUFFEE.....	Cedarville.....	20	202
Moorestown.....	1837	J. HENRY BRITAIN, <i>E. D. Fendall, A. Foster.</i>	Moorestown.....	....	200
Medford.....	1841	J. M. CRANE.....	Medford.....	9	53
Millville.....	1842	ELLIS L. STAGER.....	Millville.....	17	126
Cape Island.....	1844	SAMUEL HUGHES, <i>J. S. Leach</i>	Cape Island.....	33	129
Mulliea Hill.....	1845	C. KAIN.....	Mulliea Hill.....	7	177
Blackwoodtown.....	1848	JOHN D. FLANSBURG, <i>D. J. Freas.</i>	Blackwoodtown.....	2	59
2nd Camden.....	1848	W. W. DALBEY, <i>Chas. Sexton.</i>	Camden.....	33	211
Greenwich.....	1850	S. C. DARE, <i>Edward Ogden</i>	Greenwich.....	6	242
Reverly.....	1851	K. WALLING, <i>P. Powell.</i>	Beverly.....	17	74
Newport.....	1855	—.....	—.....	6	136
3rd Camden.....	1855	E. V. GLOVER.....	Camden.....	10	88
Woodbury.....	1857	W. M. WHITEHEAD, <i>S. Dyer.</i>	Woodbury.....	....	91
Hammonton.....	1859	GEO. KEMPTON.....	Hammonton.....	....	72
North Camden.....	1859	R. G. MOSES.....	Camden.....	7	202
Somers' Point.....	1862	—, <i>J. B. Somers.</i>	Somers' Point.....	....	17
Calvary.....	1863	M. M. FINCH.....	South Seville.....	11	197
Vineland.....	1865	N. B. RANDALL, <i>B. H. Yerkes, J. L. Dodge.</i>	Vineland.....	38	262
Shamong.....	1865	—.....	—.....	....	25
Pearl St., Bridgeton...	1866	B. S. MORSE, <i>John Todd, H. Lew- allen.</i>	—.....	26	323
Broadway, Camden...	1867	A. J. HAY.....	Camden.....	1	70
Williamstown.....	1869	—, <i>I. Leonard.</i>	Newfield.....	....	10
Memorial, Salem...	1869	H. G. MASON, <i>Thos. S. Walker.</i>	Salem.....	38	240
Gloucester City.....	1869	WM. P. MAUL.....	Camden.....	1	46
Fellowship.....	1870	—.....	—.....	..	35
South Vineland.....	1871	P. R. RUSSELL.....	Vineland.....	5	45
Seventh Camden.....	1870	MOSES WILCOX.....	Camden.....	1	65
Trinity, Camden.....	1872	A. H. LUNG, <i>Vincent Palen, T. W. Wilkinson.</i>	Camden.....	37	156
Newfield.....	1873	ISAAC LEONARD.....	Newfield.....	3	20

Churches, 48; Pastors, 39; Ordained Ministers who are not Pastors, 12; Licentiates, 15;
Baptisms, 595; Total Membership, 8,480.

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION. Organized 1828. A. D. WILLIFER,
Clerk, Lambertville. Meets at Montana, Tuesday, Oct. 6th, 1874.

CHURCHES.	When Constituted.	PASTORS AND PREACHERS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	Baptisms.	Total
Flemington..	1798	T. E. VASSAR.	Flemington.....	7	390
1st New Brunswick...	1816	H. F. SMITH, G. S. Webb, H. V. Jones	New Brunswick...	8	400
Sandy Ridge.....	1818	B. R. BLACK, M. R. Cox.	Stockton.....	1	132
Lambertville.....	1825	A. D. WILLIFER.	Lambertville....	...	236
Montana.....	1831	A. B. MCGOWAN.	Montana.....	2	77
Werts' Corner.....	1836	J. WRIGHT, J. Belden.	Wertsville.....	...	47
Bethlehem.....	1837	—	Clinton.....	2	133
Kingwood.....	1839	S. SPROUL.	Baptisttown.....	2	145
Mansfield.....	1841	G. F. HENDRICKSON.	Washington.....	1	104
George's Road.....	1842	L. SELLECK, I. Wescott.	New Brunswick...	...	70
Somerville.....	1843	G. W. CLARK.	Somerville.....	29	124
Cherryville.....	1849	C. E. YOUNG.	Cherryville.....	...	123
Croton.....	1851	B. C. MORSE.	Croton.....	3	104
Frenchtown.....	1866	W. H. PEASE.	Frenchtown.....	...	127
Berean, Stockton.....	1866	A. Cauldwell.	Stockton.....	1	151
Irving Street, Rahway	1866	G. W. Pendleton.	Rahway.....	29	91
New Hampton.....	1868	—	Clinton.....	...	26
Ringoes.....	1868	E. J. PIERCE.	Ringoes.....	...	79
Tabernacle, S'th River	1871	M. JOHNSTON.	South River.....	16	43
Calvary, Hopewell....	1871	A. V. DIMOCK, E. C. Romine.	Hopewell.....	1	51
Remsen Avenue, New Brunswick.....	1872	A. E. WAFFLE, T. T. Devan.	New Brunswick...	1	127
Clinton.....	1872	W. H. SHERMER.	Clinton.....	...	46

Churches, 22; Pastors, 19; Ordained Ministers not Pastors, 11; Baptisms, 103; Total Membership, 2,826.

Sunday Schools, 22; Teachers, 269; Scholars, 2,055; Volumes in Library, 6,534.

EAST NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION. Organized 1841. J. C. BUCHANAN,
Clerk, Scotch Plains. Meets at Scotch Plains, June 2, 1874.

CHURCHES.	When Constituted.	PASTORS AND PREACHERS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	Baptisms.	Total.
Piscataway.....	1689	JAMES F. BROWN.....	Stelton.....	14	276
Scotch Plains.....	1747	J. C. BUCHANAN.....	Scotch Plains.....	17	155
Mount Bethel.....	1767	P. GIBB, Sup., J. S. Mallette.....	Millington.....	4	52
Lyons Farms.....	1769	S. L. COX, W. H. Bergfels.....	Newark.....	..	66
Samptown.....	1792	W. H. BURLEW.....	Plainfield..	18	129
Newark, First.....	1801	H. C. FISH, A. Hopper, A. C. Lyon..	Newark.....	61	960
Plainfield, First.....	1818	D. J. YERKES.....	Plainfield.....	147	660
Perth Amboy.....	1818	.....	.....	2	97
Rahway, First.....	1833	E. S. WHEELER.....	Rahway.....	17	182
Plainfield, Second.....	1842	T. R. HOWLETT.....	Plainfield.....	33	261
Elizabeth, First.....	1843	T. A. K. GESSLER.....	Elizabeth.....	4	141
Red Bank.....	1844	E. J. FOOTE, A. Perkins, W. R. Con- nolly.....	Red Bank.....	...	201
Fairview.....	1846	.....	.....	..	59
Newark, German.....	1849	H. TRUMPP, I. C. Craft.....	Newark.....	31	234
Newark, South.....	1850	GEORGE A. PELTZ.....	Newark.....	23	345
New Market.....	1852	E. E. JONES.....	New Market.....	...	141
Port Monmouth.....	1854	WILLIAM V. WILSON.....	Port Monmouth..	...	143
Newark, Fifth.....	1855	D. C. HUGHES.....	Newark.....	9	323
Jersey City, Bergen.....	1860	W. W. HAMMOND.....	Jersey City.....	20	231
Newark, Fairmount.....	1869	HENRY ANGELL.....	Newark.....	6	307
Jersey City, North.....	1865	H. A. CORDO, Isaac Moore, D. C. Pot- ter, C. H. Watson.....	Jersey City.....	8	208
Elizabeth, Broad St... 1866	1866	H. M. GALLAHER.....	Elizabeth.....	5	172
Westfield.....	1866	JOSEPH GREAVES.....	Westfield.....	3	87
Newark, Mt. Pleasant.	1867	WM. ROLLINSON.....	.....	12	88
West Hoboken, Germ.	1867	J. M. Hoofflin.....	West Hoboken.....	...	48
Newark, Sherman Av.	1868	F. JOHNSON.....	Newark.....	22	144
Plainfield, Mt. Olive..	1870	.....	.....	..	49
Newark, Bethany.....	1871	J. W. COLLINS.....	Newark.....	12	114
Elizabeth, Memorial..	1872	H. W. JONES.....	Elizabeth.....	35	102
Roselle.....	1872	J. V. STRATTON, H. C. Putnam.....	Roselle.....	..	24

Chnrches, 30; Pastors, 28; Ordained Ministers not Pastors, 13; Licentiates, 3; Baptisms
503; Total Membership, 6,003.

TRENTON ASSOCIATION. Organized 1864. JAMES BUCHANAN, *Clerk*, Trenton. Meets at Keyport, first Wednesday in June, 1874.

CHURCHES.	When Constituted.	PASTORS AND PREACHERS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	Baptisms.	Total.
Middletown, First....	1688	DAVID B. STOUT, J. Teed.....	New Monmouth...	1	321
Hightstown.....	1745	O. P. EACHES.....	Hightstown.....	4	346
Upper Freehold.....	1766	WM. D. HIRES.....	Imlaystown.....	1	183
Manasquan.....	1804	—.....	Squan Village.....	5	87
Trenton, First.....	1805	E. LUCAS.....	Trenton.....	...	727
Hamilton Square.....	1812	W. W. CASE.....	Hamilton Square..	16	374
Princeton.....	1812	L. O. Grenell, Sup.....	.....	...	55
Bordentown.....	1821	LANSING BURROWS, Joseph Belden..	Bordentown.....	4	417
Freehold.....	1834	D. S. PARMELEE.....	Freehold.....	...	304
Kettle Creek.....	1835	—.....	.....	...	50
Holmdel.....	1836	THOMAS S. GRIFFITHS, I. M. Taylor..	Holmdel.....	...	199
Herbertsville.....	1840	H. H. ROUSE.....	Old Bridge.....	...	39
Keyport.....	1840	J. K. MANNING.....	Keyport.....	89	325
Columbus.....	1841	HENRY WESTCOTT.....	Columbus.....	...	118
Matawan.....	1850	F. A. SLATER.....	Matawan.....	...	133
Eatontown.....	1853	S. V. MARSH.....	Eatontown.....	2	79
Middletown, Second..	1853	J. J. BAKER.....	Navesink.....	19	149
Trenton, Central.....	1854	CHARLES KEYSER.....	Trenton.....	2	334
Orient.....	1858	—.....	.....	1	85
Howell.....	1860	C. G. GURR.....	Howell.....	...	140
Toms River.....	1867	A. J. WILCOX.....	Toms River.....	4	50
Bricksburg.....	1868	C. W. Waterhouse.....	Bricksbnrg.....	2	63
Marlborough.....	1869	JAMES THORN, G. Johnson.....	Marlboro'.....	1	118
Recklesstown.....	1871	—.....	.....	...	58
South Amboy.....	1872	T. S. SNOW.....	.....	...	23
Trenton, Clinton Ave..	.....	CHARLES B. PERKINS.....	.....	1	34

Churches, 26; Pastors, 21; Ordained Ministers not Pastors, 5; Baptisms, 152; Total Membership, 4,811.

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NORTH NEW JERSEY (late SUSSEX) ASSOCIATION. Organized 1833. G. F. Love, *Clerk*, Deckertown, N. J. Meets at East Orange, the second Wednesday in June, 1874.

CHURCHES.	When Constituted.	PASTORS AND PREACHERS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	Baptisms.	Total.
Morristown.....	1752	—	Morristown.....	8	198
Schooley's Mountain..	1753	J. G. ENTREKIN.....	Flanders.....	...	124
Wantage.....	1756	G. F. LOVE.....	Deckertown.....	...	148
Northfield.....	1786	J. L. DAVIS.....	Northfield.....	2	34
Hamburg.....	1798	D. SILVER.....	Hamburg.....	15	147
Paterson, First.....	1824	J. BANYARD.....	Paterson.....	8	295
Bloomington.....	1826	J. M. CARPENTER.....	Bloomington.....	...	60
Lafayette.....	1830	W. FRY.....	Lafayette.....	...	68
Mount Salem.....	1833	C. BEINKERHOFF.....	Mt. Salem.....	...	74
Newton.....	1835	J. T. CRAIG.....	Newton.....	...	140
New Durham.....	1837	T. F. CLANCEY.....	Weehawken.....	1	48
East Orange.....	1837	W. D. HEDDEN, J. Babbage.....	East Orange.....	...	138
Hoboken, First.....	1845	W. R. MAUL.....	Hoboken.....	8	169
Caldwell.....	1848	W. E. HOWELL.....	Caldwell.....	1	44
Jersey City, First.....	1848	W. H. PARMLY, W. Verrinder, A. A. Bronson.....	Jersey City.....	15	504
Millington.....	1851	P. GIBB.....	Millington.....	...	123
Bloomfield.....	1852	W. F. STUBBERT, T. Davis.....	Bloomfield.....	12	234
Livingston.....	1852	J. L. DAVIS, Sup.....	Northfield.....	2	56
Hoboken, West.....	1854	W. GILKES.....	West Hoboken.....	4	124
Newark, North.....	1854	J. DAY.....	Newark.....	35	249
Jersey City Heights.....	1857	W. B. HARRIS.....	J'sey City Heights.....	5	275
Orange, North.....	1857	WM. HAGUE, H. B. Wiggin.....	Orange.....	9	279
Millburn.....	1858	—	.....	6	87
Belvidere.....	1859	—	Belvidere.....	...	48
Glenwood.....	1862	T. M. GRENELL.....	Glenwood.....	2	68
Passaic.....	1864	R. B. KELSAY.....	Passaic.....	20	137
Town of Union.....	1866	A. Bogert, Jr.....	.....	...	34
German, Pilgrim.....	1866	H. GUBLEMAN.....	J'sey City Heights.....	...	21
Paterson, Willis St.....	1869	S. J. KNAPP.....	Paterson.....	187	362
Branchville.....	1870	—	.....	...	17
Hackensack.....	1870	Z. GRENELL, Sch.....	Hackensack.....	4	72
Roseville.....	1871	GEO. E. HORR.....	Newark.....	12	102
Englewood.....	1873	J. H. ANDREWS.....	Englewood.....	...	10
Hamilton Park.....	1873	A. S. PATTON.....	.....	...	23
Orange, Second.....	1873	S. B. MYLER.....	Orange.....	...	14

Churches, 35; Pastors, 31; Ordained Ministers not Pastors, 6; Licentiates, 2; Baptisms, 356; Total Membership, 4,426

5-14-1874

GENERAL SUMMARY.

ASSOCIATIONS.	When Constituted.	Churches.	Pastors.	Ministers not Pastors.	Baptisms.	Total Membership.
West New Jersey.....	1811	48	39	*28	595	8480
Central New Jersey....	1828	22	19	11	103	2826
North New Jersey (late Sussex).....	1833	35	34	6	352	4426
East New Jersey.....	1841	30	28	16	503	6003
Trenton.....	1864	26	21	5	152	4811
Unassociated.....	1873	1	1	....	....	25
		162	142	66	1705	26,571

* Licentiates are included.

UNASSOCIATED. Union Avenue, Paterson. P. S. Vreeland, Pastor.

CHUCHES ORGANIZED DURING THE YEAR.

Newfield.....April 1, 1873.....with 10 members.
 Englewood.....April 24, 1873.....with 10 members.
 Hamilton Park, Jersey City.....May 28, 1873.....with 23 members.
 Clinton Avenue, Trenton.....May 28, 1873.....with 32 members.
 North Orange, Second.....May —, 1873.....with 14 members.
 Union Avenue, Paterson.....September 18, 1873...with 25 members.
 Salem, Jersey City.....October 20, 1873.....with 26 members.

HISTORICAL TABLE

OF THE

New Jersey Baptist Education Society,

SHOWING THE

Time, Place, Preacher, etc., of each Annual Meeting,

YEAR.	PLACE.	PREACHER.	TEXT.
1838..	Trenton .....	.....	.....
1839..	Newark.....	.....	.....
1840..	Hightstown .....	.....	.....
1841..	New Brunswick.....	.....	.....
1842..	Trenton.....	G. S. Webb.....	Matthew 9 : 37-38.
1843..	Haddonfield.....	W. D. Hires.....	2 Corinthians 3 : 5, 6.
1844..	Mount Holly.....	C. E. Wilson.....	2 Timothy 2 : 15.
1845..	Piscataway	S. J. Drake	Jeremiah 3 : 15.
1846..	Middletown.....	G. R. Bliss.....	Matthew 9 : 37, 38.
1847..	Flemington	H. V. Jones.....	Psalms 60 : 4.
1848..	Salem.....	J. M. Carpenter.....	Romans 19 : 14, 15.
1849..	Plainfield.....	S. S. Parker.....	2 Corinthians 5 : 20.
1850..	Camden.....	Z. Grenell	Jeremiah 3 : 15.
1851..	Newark, (South church)	H. C. Fish	Isaiah 54 : 23.
1852..	Burlington.....	W. Hague.....	Ephesians 4 : 11.
1853..	New Brunswick.....	G. Kempton	2 Timothy 2 : 2.
1854..	Haddonfield	R. F. Young	1 Corinthians 9 : 16.
1855..	Piscataway	A. S. Patton	2 Corinthians 3 : 6.
1856..	Hightstown.....	J. Duncan.....	Romans 10 : 13, 14.
1857..	Bridgeton	R. Babcock.....	Acts 9 : 15.
1858..	Middletown.....	E. T. Howlett.....	Matthew 22 : 42.
1859..	Lambertville.....	J. R. Murphy	Acts 2 : 36.
1860..	Paterson.....	Thomas Swain.....	1 Timothy 3 : 16, 17.
1861..	Newark, (First church).....	J. F. Brown.....	2 Corinthians 6 : 6.
1862..	Trenton, (Central).....	Samuel Aaron.....	2 Timothy 4 : 2.
1863..	Bordentown	R. T. Middleditch	Acts 11 : 27.
1864..	Flemington.....	Prof. S. S. Cutting.....	Deuteronomy 32 : 7.
1865..	Piscataway.....	C. M. Deitz.....	Acts 27 : 24.
1866..	Salem	D. S. Parmelee.....	Jeremiah 23 : 28.
1867..	Camden	D. J. Yerkes.....	Romans 12 : 1.
1868..	Trenton, (First).....	H. A. Cordo.....	Jude 3d v.
1869..	Hightstown .....	.....	.....
1870..	Bridgeton, (First).....	.....	.....
1871..	Middletown.....	J. Banvard.	Luke 17 : 21.
1872..	Deckertown.....	W. F. Stubbett.....	Ephesians 4 : 11.
1873..	Burlington	H. F. Smith.....	Proverbs 11 : 30.

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

New Jersey Baptist Education Society.

BURLINGTON, N. J., OCT. 29, 1873.

1. The Society met at this place at 2 o'clock, P. M.
2. Ministering and other brethren, not members, were invited to seats with the Society.
3. Brethren Mott, Case, and H. W. Jones were appointed a Committee on Delegates.
4. Brethren Parmly, J. C. Buchanan, Hammond, Sandford, Dare, and Clark were appointed a committee to nominate a Board of Managers for the coming year.
5. Brethren Yerkes, Howlett, Randall, Bradley, and Cordo were appointed a committee to make arrangements for the next annual meeting, who reported subsequently, recommending that Brother I. C. Wynn preach the annual sermon. Report adopted.
6. Proceeding to the election of officers, Brethren Finch and Peltz were appointed tellers. Brother Fish stated that he had served the Society as Secretary for more than twenty years, and now requested that he be not voted for again. The following were reported elected:

PRESIDENT, . . .	H. J. MULFORD,	. . .	Bridgeton.
VICE-PRESIDENTS, {	R. F. YOUNG,		
	W. H. PARMLY.		
SECRETARY, . . .	O. P. EACHES,	. . .	Hightstown.
TREASURER, . . .	GEORGE E. HORR,	. . .	Newark.

7. The Nominating Committee recommended the following Board of Managers, and their report was adopted :

H. C. FISH,	H. F. SMITH,	W. HAGUE,
J. DAY,	J. K. MANNING,	W. R. MAULE,
G. W. CLARK,	T. E. VASSAR,	H. A. CORDO,
D. C. HUGHES,	B. S. MORSE,	M. SANDFORD,
J. E. WILSON,	W. F. STUBBERT,	L. BURROWS,
W. W. CASE,	G. F. LOVE,	G. A. PELTZ,
N. B. RANDALL,	F. A. SLATER,	A. G. THOMAS,
W. W. HAMMOND,	H. W. JONES,	E. J. FOOTE,
	C. E. YOUNG.	

8. The Treasurer presented his report, showing the receipts to have been \$2,921.51 ; expenditures \$2,777.00 ; owing to students \$466.00.

9. Brethren Lloyd, Brown and Stelle were appointed a committee to audit the Treasurer's account, who subsequently declared it to be correct.

10. The report of the Committee on Delegates was presented and adopted. (See page 40.)

11. *Voted*, That the Society recommend to the churches to observe the day observed in the " Week of Prayer " as a day of special prayer for the outpouring of the Spirit upon our schools, colleges and seminaries ; and that pastors be recommended to preach a sermon on the objects of this Society on some Sabbath during the year, and take a collection in aid of the Society.

12. Brethren were appointed to represent this Society before the different associations, as follows : West New Jersey, Bro. Sandford ; East New Jersey, Bro. Gessler ; Central, Bro. Vassar ; Sussex, Bro. Love ; Trenton, Bro. Perkins.

13. The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Whereas, The Peddie Institute at Hightstown and the South Jersey Institute at Bridgeton were, in the judgment of this Society, called into existence and organized in accordance with the indication of Divine Providence ; and whereas, these Institutes are Baptist schools, and take rank with the leading academics in our land ; therefore

Resolved, That the New Jersey Baptist Education Society not only recognize the denominational demand that called these schools into existence and has continued them in successful being, but that this Society earnestly recommend them to the Baptists of the whole State as in all respects worthy of their generous patronage,

14. Brethren Hague, Brown and Palmer were appointed a committee to act with other committees in arranging meetings for the next year. The committee subsequently reported the following:

The Joint Committee of the State Convention, Education Society and Sunday School Union, appointed to make arrangements for the next meeting, report—

1. That the Boards of the State Convention and Education Society meet on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.
2. That the Education Society meet on Monday evening and Tuesday morning.
3. That the Sunday School Union occupy Tuesday afternoon and evening.
4. That the State Convention meet on Wednesday morning, and continue until its business is completed.

15. The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board be directed to make it a condition of aid to beneficiaries in fitting for college, that their studies be prosecuted in our own State institutions.

16. Brother Parmelee offered the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Society be tendered to Rev. Dr. Fish, who for more than twenty years has filled the position of Secretary with signal ability and whole-heartedness.

17. The committee appointed by the Board to report some systematic plan of raising money, made report through Bro. Eaches:

Your committee appointed to devise some plan for securing contributions from the churches, for the Education Society, would report—

During the past year, out of 160 churches in the State, 75 have contributed to the funds of this Society. If all were interested in the work, if the Saviour's prayer for more laborers were burning in the heart of Christ's churches, the question would answer itself. How to secure more enthusiasm as a permanent force in the churches now contributing, and enlist the hearts of those not contributing, is the burden on us to-day.

One plan suggested, is the apportionment of a missionary conjointly with the Convention, who shall touch the churches and kindle new life. But there is a doubt in the minds of your committee whether *one* man can successfully carry out *two* plans, with two great and distinct thoughts in them.

Another plan suggested is the appointment to each church of a specific sum, and the appointment of an associational committee to aid in securing such amounts. But the absence of spontaneity in contributing, we fear would cripple the plan.

We recommend—

1. That each church co-operating, make its contribution within the first six months of the society year. This we would strongly urge as conducive to the best interests of the Society, in enabling it to keep its plighted word to our beneficiaries.
2. That the Treasurer be requested to forward to each church a statement

of the needs pressing upon us, with the request that the churches will designate the time of collection.

3. That a committee of one in each Association be appointed to co-operate with the treasurer, by personal appeals to the churches in the work of securing contributions, whose aim shall be *something* from each part of Christ's body.

4. That the Secretary be requested to send to each church such facts and statements as will beget prayer, awaken living sympathy, and appeal for help. With intelligent knowledge of what is needed, we believe the churches will supply the needs.

Your committee feel that we need not so much more machinery as more of Jesus' spirit, with earnest crying for more men and the love to help those we have. With more of heart there will be more of help.

O. P. EACHES,
N. B. RANDALL,
C. E. YOUNG.

The report was adopted, and Brethren Sandford, Gessler, Vassar, Love, and Perkins were appointed the committee.

18. After devotional exercises, conducted by Bro. H. L. Wayland, the annual sermon was preached by Rev. H. F. Smith, from Prov. ii : 30, "He that winneth souls is wise."

19. The annual report of the Board was read by the Secretary, and ordered to be printed.

20. The following resolutions, offered by Dr. Hague, were adopted after remarks by Brethren Samuel Colgate and W. A. Gellatly :

Whereas, In anticipation of the First Centennial Anniversary of our nation's independence, the people of these United States, in all parts of the land, are engaged already in preparing for its celebration ; and

Whereas, The Educational Commission, at its meeting in Albany, expressed the desire that the Baptist denomination of the country at large should recognize its true historical connection with that of the nationality, by such memorial services as would fitly express its gratitude for the past and its aims for the future ; therefore

Resolved, That this Society cordially accept the proposal to unite with our brethren over the continent, in the effort to raise five millions of dollars for the endowment of their educational institutes, as being an appropriate memorial of the life-work of our fathers, and the surest method possible for rendering that work effective in behalf of the generations to come.

Resolved, That while, as Baptists of New Jersey, we gratefully acknowledge the blessing of God upon the work of our hands in founding our educational institutes in this commonwealth, whence proceeded, more than a century ago, those first impulses in this direction that have wrought out, North and South, results that have transcended the hopes of the early workers, we commend to the churches of the State of New Jersey and to all in sympathy with them, the proposal to make the coming Centennial of the nation the occasion of such an establishment of our educational institutions, as shall render them a perpetual power in the land, and a source of encouragement for advancement still

onward on the part of those who shall have them in their keeping, as denominational trusts, at the close of the succeeding century.

Resolved, That while to this end we call upon the wealthy to "devise liberal things," we call upon the poor to devise liberal things also, that thus the rich and poor, the young and old, the strong and weak, may, according to their ability, share in this work and the rewards.

21. The following, offered by Dr. Fish, was adopted :

Resolved, That a Centennial Committee be appointed to co-operate with committees of our institutions, and with the executive committee of the American Educational Commission, in devising and executing plans with reference to the Centennial education movement.

Brethren W. A. Gellatly, S. Van Wickle, G. E. Horr, H. J. Mulford and H. C. Fish were appointed the Centennial Committee.

22. The following, offered by Dr. Fish, was adopted :

Resolved, That it is the policy of this Society and Board, that the young men applying for aid be brought before the Society in every case where it is practicable ; also, that those who are already our beneficiaries be brought before the Society and Board as often as practicable, in order that a more vital heart-acquaintance may thereby be mutually maintained.

23. The following, offered by Bro. Palmer, was adopted :

Resolved, That Brethren Yerkes, Sandford, Wynn, and the Secretary, be appointed a committee to make arrangements for the next meeting.

24. *Voted*, That churches or individuals directly appropriating moneys for educational purposes are requested to pass them through the hands of the Treasurer, or give him a statement of what they have done, that a *full* statement of what is done may appear on the Minutes.

25. Adjourned till 7 o'clock, with prayer by Bro. Black.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

26. Prayer was offered by Bro. A. J. Hires.

27. Society adjourned, to meet one year hence, in connection with the State Convention.

H. J. MULFORD, *President*.

O. P. EACHES, *Secretary*.

LIST OF DELEGATES OF THE EDUCATION SOCIETY.

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| Allowaystown—J. E. Bradley. | Middletown, Second—J. J. Baker. |
| Bloomington—J. M. Carpenter. | Moorestown—J. H. Brittain, E. D. Fendall. |
| Bloomfield—Thos. Davis, T. T. Cadmus. | Mount Olive—J. G. Entreken. |
| Bordentown—L. Burrows, J. Belden, L. Jemison, W. Steele, U. Bennett. | Newark, First—H. C. Fish, M. L. Smith. |
| Bridgeton, First—E. B. Palmer, H. J. Mulford. | Newark, South—G. A. Peltz. |
| Bridgeton, Pearl St.—B. S. Morse. | “ Roseville—G. E. Horr. |
| Burlington—J. E. Wilson. | New Brunswick, First—H. F. Smith, G. S. Webb, H. V. Jones, S. Van Wickle, R. Runyon. |
| Camden, Trinity—A. H. Lung. | New Brunswick, Remsen Ave.—C. B. Stout, Jas. Lewis. |
| “ Fourth St.—I. C. Wynn. | New Market—E. E. Jones. |
| Croton—B. C. Morse. | Orange, North—W. Hague, S. Colgate, W. A. Gellatly. |
| Eatontown—S. V. Marsh, W. L. Hope. | Pemberton—J. W. Willmarth. |
| Elizabeth, First—T. A. K. Gessler. | Plainfield, First—D. J. Yerkes. |
| “ Memorial—H. W. Jones. | Piscataway—J. F. Brown, J. D. Stelle. |
| Flemington—T. E. Vassar, A. Suydam. | Pittsgrove—C. A. Mott. |
| Freehold—D. S. Parmelee. | Port Monmouth—W. V. Wilson. |
| Greenwich—S. C. Dare. | Red Bank—E. J. Foote. |
| Hamilton Square—W. W. Case. | Salem, First—M. Sandford. |
| Hightstown—O. P. Eaches, H. A. Pratt, J. S. Ely. | “ Memorial—H. G. Mason, E. J. Lloyd. |
| Hoboken—W. R. Maule. | Sandy Ridge—B. R. Black. |
| Hopewell—A. V. Dimock. | Scotch Plains—J. C. Buchanan. |
| Howell—C. G. Gurr. | Somerville—Geo. W. Clark. |
| Holmdel—T. S. Griffith. | South Amboy—T. S. Snow. |
| Jacobstown—A. G. Thomas. | Stockton—A. Cauldwell. |
| Jersey City, First—W. H. Parmly, E. S. Norris, E. H. Bronson, A. C. Hale. | Trenton, Central—C. Keyser, J. Buchanan. |
| Jersey City, North—H. A. Cordo. | Trenton, Clinton Ave.—C. B. Perkins. |
| “ Bergen—W. W. Hammond. | Upper Freehold—W. D. Hires. |
| Keyport—J. K. Manning, T. Burrows. | Vineland—N. B. Randall. |
| Kingwood—S. Sproul. | Wantage—G. F. Love. |
| Lambertville—A. D. Willifer. | Woodstown—F. B. Greul. |
| Lyons Farms—S. L. Cox. | Visitors—H. L. Wayland, W. S. Goodno, B. Griffith, T. Swaim, James Bray, E. P. Bond. |
| Matawan—F. A. Slater. | |

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Friends and Patrons of the N. J. Baptist Education Society :

DEAR BRETHREN — Your Board, in giving account of their stewardship, have to say that they have experienced somewhat of trial and difficulty in the operations of the last year. One of our number, Bro. D. M. WILSON, has been removed by death. For many years his name has stood associated with the New Jersey Baptist Education Society—a large part of that time as its Treasurer. Possessed of both the disposition and the ability to serve the interests of this body, his departure creates a loss not easily met ; and as long as there are friends of this cause, his memory will be held in grateful remembrance. The Board, at its meeting in February last, took the following action with reference to this event :

Whereas, In the all-wise Providence of God, He has taken from our midst our beloved brother DANIEL M. WILSON ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of the New Jersey Baptist Education Society, do hereby express our sense of the great loss which it has sustained. For many years he occupied the responsible position of Treasurer to our Society : and for his unswerving fidelity ; his uniform urbanity and Christian kindness toward the hundreds of beneficiaries brought under his influence ; as well as his delicate sympathy in supplying their wants ; a multitude of young men, both in our own and other States, will mourn his loss, and exclaim, “ Truly a great man has fallen in Israel.”

Resolved, That we tender both our prayers and sympathy to the bereaved family in their affliction ; and request that our Secretary will forward to them a copy of these resolutions.

We have also to say, that the tardiness of the churches (and in some cases their neglect) in supplying the Treasury with funds, has given us much embarrassment. Indeed, notwithstanding earnest and repeated efforts on our part to secure the needful funds, some of our obligations are still unmet ; and students have been reduced to painful straits, from not receiving the appropriations they had reason to expect.

On the other hand, we have reason to be thankful that the number of candidates for the ministry in our State is so great, and apparently on the increase; and that it has been our privilege to dispense so large an amount as that which has come into our hands. The number of students aided the past year is twenty-five; and they are distributed in nearly the same proportion as the year previous among the different seats of learning.

The two Academies in our State are well filled with scholars—above two hundred and fifty being in attendance.

The great necessity now pressing upon these institutions, is relief from present indebtedness, and adequate endowment, whereby the tuition and other expenses may be kept low, and the advantages of the schools be within reach of the masses of the churches.

In this connection the *Centennial* movement of our denomination is most opportune. It is known to many that a grand undertaking has been projected by the Educational Commission, with the endorsement of the Associations and Conventions, looking to the raising of *five millions* of money between this and July, 1876, to be applied to the benefit of our higher institutions of learning. The details of this plan are not yet fully matured; but it is time that New Jersey, the seat of the first Baptist school for training ministers in the United States, were awake to this great purpose, and ready to take the lead in the movement. All that we need is enthusiasm and organization. Of the former, no better example could be given than that of our brethren in Virginia, in raising \$300,000 for Richmond College. When the meeting was held to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the General Baptist Association, it was found that a combined action on the part of the magnificent assemblage was needful to complete the fund of \$300,000. One leader of the Lord's hosts after another arose and announced a new offering, made at a still greater sacrifice, until the subscriptions poured in from all parts of the immense structure where they were gathered. Men, women and children opened their purses; and even articles of jewelry, such as watches, bracelets, ear-rings and breast-pins, were donated. Ladies tore off cherished ornaments without the slightest hesitation, and men were lavish with their heir-looms—piling up their gold and silver watches upon the desk of the Secretary, until a pyramid was formed that will ever be

a monument in the history of the denomination. \$18,000 were raised, and the amount was afterward increased to \$40,000.

With a similar zeal and determination, what could not the Baptists of New Jersey accomplish! Let us, then, organize for the work, and talk, and preach and write and pray as to this great opportunity, until every Baptist in the State is a glad contributor to the New Jersey Centennial Educational Fund.

The Nation's anniversary especially appeals to us; first, because of all denominations in America, the Baptists have most reason for entering into the movement with glad and grateful hearts, and with a profound appreciation of its fitness. As the Executive Committee of the Board of Councillors say in their annual report, "The nation's independence is the era of Baptist independence. The force which

liberty; and when the Constitution was amended to establish the General Government, dissatisfied with the absence of security for the consciences of men, they insisted on the amendment which makes the security absolute. The lingering establishments received their death-blow, and Baptist principles and religious liberty became the common inheritance and distinction of the American people."

This is fitting, too, on account of our remarkable growth and prosperity. A century ago we were a small people—perhaps fifteen thousand communicants in this country; now we have *one and a half million* communicants, and an adhering population of *five to seven millions*. Then we had few and poor meeting-houses, and had laid the foundation of our first college; now we have noble church edifices and schools all over the land.

And finally, there is fitness in an *educational* effort. It is the work to which God's providence seems now specially pointing us. It is the only work in which the whole American household of our faith can engage with a common enthusiasm, and with the needed re-quickening of the old sense of brotherhood. It is a work which appeals to every principle of patriotism as well as of piety, to our regard for the best interests of our sons and daughters, as well as of the ministry and of the Church of Christ. It is a work most monumental in its nature, most patent to the eye, and most durable. And it is a work which, if well done, will link the remotest generations with the present in gratitude and profound respect.

In the mean time let us not lose sight of the special aim of the Society.

And the incident but illustrates the operations of this Society ; for its special aim is to aid indigent young men in studying for the ministry. Except a youth be indigent he cannot be taken upon our roll. And it is plainly a part of the divine economy to call the majority of the ministry from the ranks of the poor. Educating such, we *may* be educating George Whitfields. We *have been* educating (as the annals of this body will show) some of the foremost ministers of the day. There are names of preachers to-day who could be pointed at as burning and shining lights, and who, so far as we can see, had never come into the ministry but for the helping hand we have extended. And God has given us the present honor of aiding twen-

ty-five young men, who would be obliged to quit their studies if our aid were withdrawn.

We know the hearts of New Jersey Baptists; and are assured that so noble a work as this will not be suffered to languish. But we earnestly implore the pastors and the brethren to send in their contributions *earlier in the year*, so that the Treasurer can forward the appropriations when due. Prompt and cheerful charity is doubly welcome. Will not the friends of this Society bear this in mind? And will not each of us pledge ourselves anew to a cause aiming at nothing less than *increasing the number of good ministers of Jesus Christ?*

In behalf of the Board,

H. C. FISH, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GEO. E. HERR, *Treasurer*, in account with the NEW JERSEY BAPTIST
EDUCATION SOCIETY.

1872		Dr.	
Oct.	30..	To balance on hand as reported at Annual Meeting, Oct., 1872.....	\$107 39
		To cash from Haddonfield church.....	39 45
		" Cape May, Second church.....	8 00
		" Woodstown church.....	19 60
		" Freehold church.....	24 25
		" Keyport church.....	30 00
		" Hopewell church.....	4 00
		" Middletown church.....	12 00
		" Miss H. Mulford.....	100 00
		" B. S. Morse.....	1 00
		" Plainfield, First church.....	240 00
		" New Durham church.....	50 00
		" Greenwich church.....	10 78
		" Port Monmouth church.....	10 00
		" Bordentown church.....	44 20
		" Somerville church.....	15 00
Nov.	2..	" Upper Freehold Sunday School.....	10 00
	12..	" First church, Elizabeth.....	17 25
	14..	" First church, Trenton, for J. B.....	50 00
Dec.	9..	" Fifth church, Newark.....	25 00
	11..	" West Hoboken church.....	10 00
	12..	" Central church, Trenton.....	67 58
	20..	" Passaic church.....	26 25
1873			
Jan.	6..	" First church, Newark.....	100 00
	16..	" Bloomfield church.....	25 00
	18..	" South church, Newark.....	30 57
Feb.	10..	" Westfield church.....	25 00
	11..	" Bergen church.....	48 83
April	4..	" First church, Bridgeton.....	41 00
	22..	" C. R. Cowell, for South church, Newark.....	50 00
	24..	" Pittsgrove church.....	15 00
	25..	" Roseville church.....	25 00
May	9..	" Hightstown church.....	28 00
	9..	" Piscataway church.....	81 95
	18..	" First Trenton church, for J. B.....	50 00
June	4..	" First German church, Newark.....	20 00
	4..	" Collection at East New Jersey Association.....	33 02
	4..	" Hamilton Square church.....	16 56
	9..	" Livingston church.....	10 25
	11..	" Collection at North New Jersey Association.....	27 51
	11..	" Glenwood church.....	20 00
	11..	" Millington church.....	12 00
	11..	" Newton church.....	16 00
	11..	" Hamburg church.....	11 00

June	11..	To cash from Jersey City Heights church.....	10 00
	11..	" Englewood church.....	5 00
	11..	" Schooley's Mountain church.....	10 00
	11..	" Willis Street, Paterson, church.....	25 00
	11..	" Hamilton Park church, Jersey City.....	10 00
	12..	" First church, Jersey City.....	\$60 00
	12..	" " " Mrs. M. E. Serrell. 40 00	100 00
	12..	" Tom's River church.....	10 00
	12..	" Marlton church.....	10 00
	18..	" Roselle church.....	20 00
	19..	" First Orange church.....	26 00
July	1 .	" First Bridgeton church.....	65 00
	1..	" Scotch Plains church.....	40 00
	1..	" Bloomfield church Sunday School.....	50 00
	1..	" Cherryville church.....	20 00
	1..	" Sandy Ridge church.....	10 25
	1..	" Deckertown church.....	10 00
	3..	" Eatontown church.....	10 00
	9..	" Hackensack church.....	51 00
	22..	" First New Brunswick church.....	250 00
	29..	" Pemberton church Sunday School.....	10 00
	30..	" Woodstown church.....	12 20
Aug.	4..	" Rahway Sunday School, pastor's class.....	10 00
	4..	" Kingwood church.....	4 00
	6..	" Northfield church.....	9 68
	6..	" Livingston church.....	8 32
	12..	" First Paterson church.....	100 00
Sept.	5..	" Morristown church.....	25 00
	5..	" Flemington church.....	72 60
	11..	" Lambertville church.....	40 00
	16..	" First Cohansy church.....	18 00
	16..	" Interest on bank account.....	5 43
	29..	" Sherman Avenue church, Newark.....	25 00
Oct.	22..	" First Salem church, for B. McM.....	239 59
			<u>\$2,921 51</u>

AMOUNTS RECEIVED AT ANNUAL MEETING IN BURLINGTON, OCTOBER 28th AND 29th, 1873.

From Jacobstown church.....	\$25 00	Freehold church.....	\$35 25
Upper Freehold church.....	10 75	Mount Olive church.....	10 00
Kingwood church.....	10 00	First Middletown church.....	17 10
First Plainfield church.....	200 00	Port Monmouth church.....	10 00
Second Plainfield church.....	20 00	Central Trenton church.....	64 79
Elizabeth Memorial church.....	5 00	Bordentown church.....	29 47
Lyons Farms church.....	10 00	Keyport church.....	50 00
Greenwich church.....	8 09	Mrs. M. Groom.....	1 00

1872		Cr.	
Oct. 31..	By cash paid S. W. Stockton, J. Butterworth, \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each.....		\$66 66
Nov. 4..	" E. J. Evans, J. E. Brown, D. G. Walden, \$66 $\frac{2}{3}$ each,.....		200 00
15..	" J. Butterworth, as designated by church.....		50 00
1873			
Jan. 2..	" E. H. Bronson, D. C. Potter, C. H. Wat- son, G. R. Robbins, C. P. P. Fox, E. Thompson, R. N. Vandoren, A. W. Stockwin, J. Butterworth, } \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each,.....		300 00
2..	" H. L. Janzen, J. Engler, John Senn, \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each.....		100 00
2..	" J. H. Chambers \$33 34, A. Foster \$33 34.....		66 68
2..	" P. A. Leftwich.....		33 34
28..	" D. W. Sheppard, B. H. Yerkes, B. Me- Makin, W. H. Paulin, S. H. Copeland, } \$50 each,..		250 00
Feb. 17..	" D. T. MacClymont.....		33 34
April 24..	" Jennings & Hardham, on account of printing.....		50 00
May 14..	" E. J. Evans, H. Snipe, J. H. Chambers, } \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each,.....		133 33
18..	" A. Foster, J. Butterworth, as designated by church.....		50 00
30..	" E. H. Bronson, as design'd by 1st Jersey City church..		66 67
June 13..	" J. H. Chambers, A. Foster, H. L. Janzen, } \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each,.....		166 66
13..	" J. Engler, J. Senn, R. Langer,.....		66 66
13..	" P. A. Leftwich.....		66 67
"	" Postage, Envelopes, &c.....		3 00
July 1..	" G. R. Robbins.....		66 67
25..	" D. W. Sheppard, B. H. Yerkes, B. Me- Makin, W. H. Paulin, S. H. Copeland, } \$50 each,..		250 00
30..	" A. Peloubet.....		33 33
Aug. 9..	" D. C. Potter, C. H. Watson, C. P. P. Fox, } \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each,.....		266 67
"	" E. Thompson, R. N. Vandoren, A. W. Stockwin, J. Butterworth, D. T. Mac Clymont,		
Sep. 16..	" H. L. Janzen, R. Sanger, \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each.....		66 67
29..	" J. Senn, J. Engler, \$33 $\frac{1}{8}$ each.....		66 67
29..	" E. J. Evans.....		33 34
29..	" Jennings & Hardham, balance of bill.....		48 05
30..	" Envelopes, Postage, &c.....		3 00
Oct. 22..	" B. McMakin, as designated by church.....		229 59
Total cash paid.....			\$2,777 00
Cash on hand.....			144 51
			\$2,921 51
Beside the above the Jersey City North church paid for education..		\$200 00	
Hamilton Square church.....		461 00	
Hightstown church.....		55 00	
Jersey City First church.....		65 00	
Plainfield First church.....		1,000 00	
Newark First church.....		1,500 00	
North Orange church.....		3,800 00	
			\$7,081 00
Paid in the State for Education, over.....			\$9,758 00

Other churches have paid sums of which we have no account.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NEW JERSEY BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

ART. I.—This Society shall be called the NEW JERSEY BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

ART. II.—The object of this Society shall be, to aid young men, members of Baptist churches, and approved by the churches to which they belong, as candidates for the Gospel ministry, in obtaining such literary and theological instruction as their talents and circumstances seem to require.

ART. III.—Any person may become a member of this Society by paying annually into the treasury one dollar: a member for life by paying for that purpose ten dollars; and any Auxiliary Society shall be entitled to one representative for every five dollars paid annually into the Society. And any church contributing to the funds of the Society, by a public collection, may appoint one delegate.

ART. IV.—The officers of this Society, who shall be members of regular Baptist churches, shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty-five Managers, who shall be elected at any annual meeting, by ballot, or otherwise, and hold their office for one year, or till others are chosen, with full power to fill all vacancies which may occur in their Board, who, together, shall constitute a Board for the transaction of business, five of whom shall be a quorum.

ART. V.—The Board shall take charge of the pecuniary concerns of the Society, appoint a necessary agent or agents, receive and decide upon all applications for aid from the Society, and determine at what institution its beneficiaries shall pursue their studies. They shall keep a regular record of their proceedings, and make a full and detailed report, annually, of the same to the Society.

ART. VI.—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys or other property belonging to the Society, and make investment of the same, for the use of the Society, in the safest and most productive forms, under direction of the Board. The Treasurer shall keep a faithful account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall exhibit his accounts at every annual meeting, or whenever required by the Board. He shall give satisfactory security to the President for the safe keeping of the funds in his hands, and shall pay out no moneys but upon an order from the Executive Board, signed by the President, or President pro tem., and Secretary.

ART. VII.—There shall be an annual meeting of the Society, at such time and place as may be agreed upon at the preceding meeting; and special meetings may be called at any time by the Board.

ART. VIII.—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual or other meeting appointed for that purpose.

LEGACIES FOR EDUCATION.

The friends of the NEW JERSEY BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY are reminded that money may be left for the Society, by putting *it in trust* of the *State Convention*, for the Education Society. The Education Society, as such, is not a corporate body.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NEW JERSEY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

ART. I.—This Society shall be known as THE NEW JERSEY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, and shall be composed of delegates from Baptist Sunday Schools, and of the pastors of Baptist churches.

ART. II.—The officers of the Union shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and three others, all of whom shall constitute an Executive Committee.

ART. III.—There shall be an annual meeting, in connection with an Institute, at a time and place previously appointed, for the choice of officers and the transaction of other needful business.

ART. IV.—It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to arrange for the holding of one or more Sunday School Institutes in the State each year, and by such other means as they may employ, to excite the interest and to unite the efforts of New Jersey Baptists in the Sunday School work, and to develop for consecration to Christ in this department of Christian labor, the talents, the piety, and the working capacity of the churches.

ART. V.—The Union shall be governed by the rules of order usually acknowledged by deliberative assemblies; the order of business being at all times subject to its direction when in session.

ART. VI.—This Constitution may be amended or altered at any annual meeting, by a majority vote of the members present; provided, that notice of said alteration or amendment shall have been given at the preceding annual meeting.

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

New Jersey Baptist Sunday School Union.

BURLINGTON, N. J., Oct. 27, 1873.

The Sunday School Union was opened at 7.30 P. M. Rev. H. C. Fish, D. D., President, in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. Clark, D. D. After a half hour of praise and prayer, led by Prof. W. F. Sherwin, Rev. G. A. Peltz conducted the further exercises.

Rev. J. W. Willmarth, of Pemberton, addressed the Union on the question "How can adequate Denominational Teaching be secured in schools using the International Series?"

Rev. T. A. K. Gessler, of Elizabeth, addressed the Union on "The Sunday School of the Future."

A closing address was made by Rev. Chas. Keyser, D. D., after which the Union adjourned until 9 A. M.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Union was called to order at 9 A. M., by the President.

A Committee, consisting of Brethren Hammond, Eaches and Mason, was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

On motion of Brother Willmarth, the Executive Board was requested to so arrange that there shall be as many Sunday School Institutes during the coming year as there are Associations in the State.

On motion of Bro. Gessler, the Executive Board was instructed to arrange that our anniversary be held in connection with the State meetings, procuring, if possible, more time for the sessions of this body.

On motion of Brother Griffiths, the churches be requested to take a collection for the use and benefit of the Sunday School Union.

The Committee on Nominations reported through their chairman, Bro. Hammond, and the following were unanimously elected as the officers for the ensuing year:

CHAS. KEYSER, D. D.,	. . .	PRESIDENT.
J. F. SANXAY,	. . .	VICE-PRESIDENT.
LANSING BURROWS,	. . .	SECRETARY.
W. L. HOPE,	. . .	TREASURER.
A. D. WILLIFER,	}	EXECUTIVE COM.
I. C. WYNN,		
W. F. SHERWIN,		

On motion of Bro. Eaches, the Secretary was authorized to arrange for the publication of our minutes with those of the State Convention and Education Society.

On motion of Bro. Thomas, the Secretary was requested to compile the Sunday School statistics of the State, and otherwise bring the Union in connection with each school.

According to the programme, a discussion followed upon the question, "How can our Bible school work be more efficiently pressed in this State?"

Rev. Lansing Burrows, of Bordentown, addressed the Union on "The Pastoral Work of the Teacher."

Rev. G. A. Peltz, of Newark, made an address on "Sunday School Reviews."

Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., of Philadelphia, spoke upon "Denominational Unity in Sunday School Work, its Possibility and Results."

Prof. W. F. Sherwin closed the exercises with an address on "Sacred Music in Sunday Schools."

And then the Sunday School Union adjourned to meet in Plainfield, in conjunction with the State Convention.

LANSING BURROWS, *Secretary.*

 Correspondents of the Sunday School Union will address LANSING BURROWS, Bordentown, N. J.

**A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO
INCORPORATE TRUSTEES OF RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES."**

WHEREAS, it is represented that it is in accordance with the customs and usages of the Baptist churches that such churches should possess the right to determine as to the acquisition, use and disposition of their property, and that the trustees of the same should be elected by the members of such churches, and that in other respects the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, are not in accordance with the usages and customs of said churches :

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That when the members of any Baptist church in this state, now or hereafter to be organized, according to the usages and customs of Baptist churches, into a Baptist church, shall desire and intend to form themselves into a body corporate, notice shall be given of such intention by an advertisement, signed by the clerk, or clerk pro tempore, of such church, and set up in open view, at least ten days previous to the day named therein, at or near the place where the members of such church usually assemble for public worship, and designating the day and hour when, and the place where, they design to meet for such purpose; upon the day and hour so named in said notice, the members of said church shall assemble at such place so named, and by a majority of the votes of such members so present may adopt a corporate name, and may also, by a similar vote, elect any number of persons, not less than three nor more than seven, being members of such church or of the congregation meeting therewith for public worship, to be a board of trustees of the said church; at such meeting the pastor, or any member of said church called to the chair, shall preside, and the clerk of such church shall be the secretary of said meeting, and shall record the proceedings of the same; in the absence of any regulation upon the subject previously adopted by such church, five of the members thereof shall constitute a quorum at such meeting, but a smaller number may adjourn the same from time to time, and where such regulation exists, the number of members necessary to constitute a quorum, shall be determined by such regulation.

2. And be it enacted, That after the aforesaid proceedings shall have been had, a certificate of the same in writing, under the hands and seals of the president and secretary of said meeting, shall be transmitted to the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county, whose duty it shall be to file and record the same, for which service the said clerk shall be entitled to receive the sum of one dollar, and upon the filing of said certificate with said clerk, the members of said church, and their successors, shall be and thereafter continue to be a body politic and corporate in fact and in law by the name so adopted and expressed in such certificate, and shall by such name of incorporation be capable of acquiring by gift, grant, purchase or other manner, and having and holding any lands, tenements, hereditaments, legacies, donations, moneys, goods and chattels, to an amount not exceeding the yearly value of two thousand dollars, and the same or any part thereof to sell, grant, assign, demise, alien and dispose of; but any conveyance of lands or interest in lands, or other written contract, made by said corporation shall be executed under the hand of the president of the board of trustees, and the common seal of said corporation; and such corporations shall have the powers, and be subject to the liabilities of the corporations named in the act to which this is a supplement, and any devise or bequest to any such corporation shall not be defeated by reason of any misnomer, if the intention of the testator can be ascertained.

3. And be it enacted, That the trustees of every such corporation shall, as soon as practicable after their election, organize for business by appointing one of their number as president, who shall have the custody of the deeds and muniments of title of the property of said corporation; the said board shall keep and report to the church annually, and oftener if required, a full and accurate account of their transactions, and the financial condition of the church; all proceedings, acts and orders of said board shall be by a majority vote of all the members thereof.

4. And be it enacted, That the said board of trustees shall have the care, custody and oversight of the property of the church so incorporated, except moneys raised for the support of the pastor or for benevolent objects, but they shall not have power to alienate, sell or inumber such property, close the house of worship to the business or religious meetings of such church, or permit the same to be used for other than such meetings, buy, build, or otherwise involve the church in expense aside from the ordinary expenditures incurred by the proper care, repairs and preservation of its property, without express authority from the church itself for so doing.

5. And he it enacted, That the term of office of said trustees may be regulated by by-law or resolution of such church, adopted before their election, and in the absence of such regulation, the said trustees shall continue in office one year from the date of their election, and until their successors are chosen.

6. And be it enacted, That for perpetuating a line of succession in the trustees of any such church so incorporated, it shall be lawful for the members of such church so incorporated to assemble at any time they may think proper, giving notice thereof as hereinbefore is directed for the election of the first trustees, or may so assemble for the election of any other trustee or trustees in the stead of those or any of those before elected, in case they see cause for the removal of any of the said trustees, and also to fill any vacancy occasioned by the death or resignation of any trustee, or by his moving out of the limits of the congregation worshiping with said church, and when so assembled, may fill such vacancies, or elect such new trustees, or elect such new board of trustees by the same vote herein required for the election of the first trustees.

7. And be it enacted, That if any Baptist church, the trustees of which are now incorporated under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, shall desire to become incorporated under the provisions of this act, and shall comply with the requirements of this act, the said church, upon taking the proceedings prescribed in section one of this act, and filing the certificate thereof, as provided in the second section of this act, shall thereupon become a corporation in fact and in law, with all the privileges granted and subject to all the liabilities imposed by this act, and thereupon the corporation composed of the trustees thereof shall be dissolved, and the title to all property, real and personal, held by the same, shall instantly vest in the new corporation so created.

8. And be it enacted, That no election of trustees under this act, except the first election, shall be deemed invalid by reason of failure to give the notice hereinbefore required, in any case where the time of election of trustees is regulated by a rule or standing resolution of the church so failing to give such notice.

9. And be it enacted, That any church, incorporated according to the provisions of this act shall have power to make such rules and regulations for the transaction of its business, number and election of its officers, the support of public worship, the calling to and dismissal from the pastoral office, and the regulation of the proceedings of the board of trustees, and the defining of the duties and powers of such board, as may be deemed from time to time necessary or expedient.

10. And be it enacted, That the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement shall continue to apply to such Baptist churches as do not avail themselves of the provisions of this act.

11. And be it enacted, That this shall be a public act, and shall take effect immediately.

Approved April 4, 1873.

[The following or similar forms may be used in complying with the above law:]

RESOLUTION THAT CLERK GIVE NOTICE, ETC.

RESOLVED, That it is the desire of the members of this Church that the Church become incorporated, in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies," which supplement was approved April 4th, A. D. 1873; and that the Clerk of the Church be instructed to give the notice required by the first section of said act, of a meeting of the Church for the purpose of complying with the provisions of said act.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the members of Baptist Church, worshipping at, intend to form themselves into a body corporate, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies," which supplement was approved April 4th, 1873; and that a meeting of said members for that purpose, and for the further purpose of electing (three or more) persons to be members of the board of trustees of said Church, will be held at, on the day of, A. D., at the hour of o'clock M. of that day.

Dated this day of, A. D.

....., CLERK.
(or Clerk *pro tem.*)

CERTIFICATE TO BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

To the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas
of the County of, State of New Jersey :

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the members of the Baptist Church, of, usually meeting for public worship at, in the township of, county of, did assemble at, on the day of, A. D. eighteen hundred and, ten days previous notice of the time, place and purpose of so assembling having been given by an advertisement set up in open view at (or near) such usual place of meeting for public worship, which advertisement was in the following words, to wit: (Here copy notice;) and was so set up by, clerk of said Church, in obedience to a resolution adopted on the day of last past, by said Church in words following, to wit: (Here copy resolution); and being so assembled at the time and place in said advertisement named, there being present (here insert names) members of said Church, being more than a quorum, ... was called to the chair, and clerk of said Church, acted as Secretary, and the said members so assembled did, by a majority vote, resolve that the members of said Church become a corporation, under the provisions of the act mentioned in the above recited advertisement; and did, by a similar vote, adopt the following as a corporate name, to wit: "The Baptist Church of:" and did also, by a similar vote, elect the following persons, to wit: (Here insert names of trustees) to be members of the board of trustees of said corporation for the term of

Certified under our hands and seals this day of, in the year
of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and

....., [L. s.] *President.*

....., [L. s.] *Secretary.*

NOTICE OF SUBSEQUENT MEETING FOR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES, UNDER SECTION SIX.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting for the election of trustees of (here give corporate name) will be held at, on the day of, A.D. eighteen hundred and, at the time of o'clock M. of that day.

Dated this day of, A. D.

....., *Clerk.*

[NOTE.—Where the trustees of a church are now incorporated under the old law, and the church desires to avail itself of the provisions of the above act, it might be as well to have the old board of trustees directed to release to the new corporation all right, title and interest to the property of the church, and to have such release executed contemporaneous with the filing of the above certificate. Such release is not deemed essential, but perfects the record of title.]